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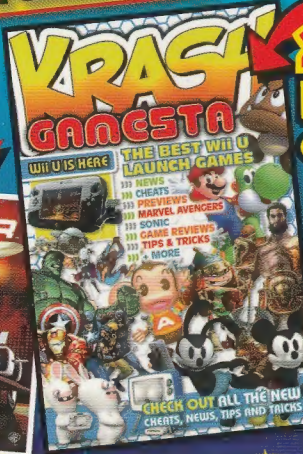
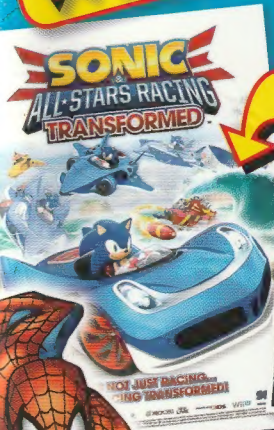
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Hey **KRASH** Headz. Welcome to December **KRASH**. Doesn't it feel like the year just started? It does to us... but soon Santa will be squeezing his way down your chimney with a whole stack of cool stuff. Maybe a PS3? Maybe a Wii U? What do you want for Christmas? Lucky for you we've extended **KRASH** Test this month (pg 48) to help you decide! We also chat to some Luna Park super heroes, check out a brand-new skate trick, take a look at the awesome new Wii U, throw John Cena in the wrestling ring with James Bond, tell some hilarious jokes (well, WE think they're hilarious), give away heaps of prizes and **SO MUCH MORE!** Don't forget we also have the coolest komix in the universe. This month it's a brand new Spider-man comic. Cool! Sit back, have a read, do some puzzles, pin-up some posters and generally **PLEASE** enjoy your last month of school before Christmas. You deserve it! **CYA KRASH** Heads!

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# SPEAK UP

Hurry up KRASH Heads! Send us your best emails and drawings NOW! We love getting drawings from you guys. We always do our best to publish as many as possible! Shoot 'em through to [krash@nuclear.com.au](mailto:krash@nuclear.com.au) or write us a letter to PO Box 1382, Bondi Jn NSW 1355.

## LETTER OF THE MONTH

Dear KRASH, I really like your mags. They're just so awesome. Everything about them is just so cool that I keep reading them over and over again. Thank you for your amazing mags. I hope you like my picture and three jokes.

**1.Q.** Why did Mickey Mouse go into space?

**A.** Because he wanted to find Pluto.

**2.Q.** Why did the farmer buy a brown cow?

**A.** Because he wanted chocolate milk.

**3.Q.** Why can't you tell a joke when you're on the ice?

**A.** Because it might crack up!

Ali, 11, NSW



**YO KRASH!** U R da bomb! I have every edition of your mag, and my fave bits are Shame Shack, GameSta, Komix and Speak Up, but I mostly like your comps. You have way better prizes than any other mags. U GUYS ROCK!!

Marty, 11, VIC

**HEY KRASH!** My name is Sanyam. I have bought so many KRASH mags and they are awesome. My favourite bits of your magazines are Speak Up, quizzes, WWE, GameSta

mag and Shame SHack. Here are two jokes for you.

**1.Q.** What do you call a sheep with no legs?

**A.** A cloud

**2.Q.** What is a dog's favourite school subject?

**A.** Dog-ruff-e

Sanyam, Aged 9.



Ethan, aged 7, NSW

Oliver (Wally) aged 7, NSW



**SUP KRASH?** Your magazine is awesome. I have almost all of them. My favourite bit in the mag is the puzzles. They're awesome and I'm good at them. Thanks for inventing them.

**Q.** Doctor, Doctor, I'm so ugly what can I do?

**A.** Hire yourself out for Halloween parties.

Arlen, Aged 10, WA



**I LOVE YOUR MAG,** especially KRASHin' comps, Speak Up, Newz, KRASH Klash, (go Tiple H!), movies, GameSta (esepialy the cheats), Rib Ticklers, Cruise Control, WWE, KRASH Test, Trading Places, Freak Out (so I can freak out my sister), skate trick, KRASH comics, puzzles and, of course, I cannot forget Shame Shack. You're awesome KRASH. Rock on! Johl, email





**HI KRASH!** My name is Richard. I am 11 years old. Your Mag is the bomb!!! I think KRASH is the best mag. I like to draw the DC because I can learn how to draw my favourite characters step by step. GameSta is very interesting

because I can get more information about new games. Game Sta shows me how to play difficult levels, so I can win. I also like letters from boys for Shame of the Month. They are very funny. Thank you very much for your KRASHtastic work!

Richard, 11, QLD

## HEY KRASH MANIACS!!!

Wazzup guys? Gosh, I don't know what to say. I LOVE IT ALL! I have only just started getting KRASH. I started getting it last year and lets just say it is my bedtime story! I love the little gifts tpp. They rock! I love my new KRASH Deck. I haven't put it down for three hours! Well, that's me. U R the man ASH (freakin') KRASH!!! Peace. **Keen, email**

## DEAR KRASH,

I drew this Sponge Bob at Jellyfish field with 2 Jelly fishes on top of SpongBob head. I hope you like it.

Sanyam, aged 9, NSW



## HAY KRASH

my name is Tyler and I think your mag is awesome!!! My favourite parts are Speak Up, Shame Shack, GameSta and WWE. I hope you like my Dragonball Z picture and I hope you keep up the good work.

**Tyler, email**

**HEY KRASH,** I Love your mag and me and my friend Adit read it alot. Sometimes we even get the mag a month before it comes out. So today we wrote you these jokes: Why did the golfer buy an extra pair of pants? In case he got a hole in one! Why did the dinosaur cross the road? Because he thought he was a duck! Knock knock, who's there? A, B, A, B... who? A, B, C, D, E... Knock knock, who's there? Acid. Acid who? Acid down and be quiet!

**Isfar, email**

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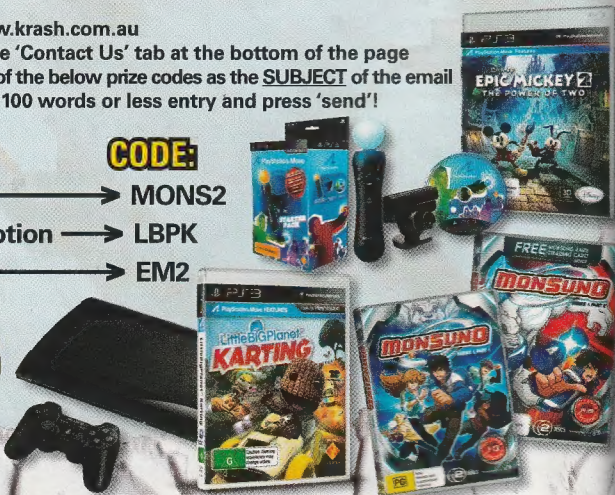
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# NEWZ

THIS MONTH'S NEWZ STORIES HAVE STEPPED UP A NOTCH IN THE CRAZY STAKES!

## THE BOY WHO CAN'T FORGET

A 20-year-old Wales student can remember every detail of his teenage existence down to what he ate, wore and what the weather was like on any day. Aurelien Hayman has the rare condition of hyperthymesia, or highly superior autobiographical memory. When asked of his whereabouts on a random day in October, 2006, Hayman recalled it was cloudy, he listened to the song "When You Were Young" by The Killers and asked a girl out who turned him down. The average person retrieves information from their long term memory situated in the right frontal lobe of the brain, however, Hayman's long term memory capacity is increased because he also uses the left frontal lobe. The English literature student said "There's no method or technique to it. I'm not aware that my memories are being coded... It's like the dates have pictures. It's a very visual process - there's a sequence of images."

They were white undies with skids marks.

## ALLIGATOR POOL PARTIES

A man from Florida has invented a unique entertainment idea for children's parties by offering them the chance to swim with alligators. Bob Barrett, from Tampa Bay, claims the concept has taken off "like wildfire... Everybody loves having the gator pool parties." For around \$150 Bob will visit your backyard pool and invite your child and party guests to swim with the gator. Bob was inspired with the Alligator Attraction idea during summer months when business was slow and said by the age of 11 "you've already had the 'jumparoo' house, the bounce house, you've had the pizza party, you've had the clown party... You get to have a pool party with a gator. It's a very popular party."



## POWER NAP PILLOW

A unique pillow has been developed claiming it is the perfect solution for power naps. The Ostrich Pillow is placed on the head and blocks out all visual and aural distractions so you can rest your head comfortably on any surface. Design studio, Kawamura-Ganjavian, and product innovators, Studio Banana Things, believe their invention will help over-tired workers score a 20 minute power nap which may increase productivity by 37 per cent. A spokesman described the Ostrich Pillow as "neither a pillow, nor cushion, bed or garment, but a bit of each, all at the same time. It's soothing cave-like interior shelters and isolates both your head and hands, perfect for a power nap." The wonderful thing about the Ostrich Pillow is whether you're at work, home or even public transport, a power nap is always possible!





## WORLD'S SKINNIEST HOUSE

A house designed to be less than 120 centimetres wide at its broadest point is anticipated to be one of the thinnest houses ever to be built. Jakub Szczesny, a Polish Architect, claims his art installation project will be just 71 centimetres wide at its narrowest point and have the purpose of encouraging its occupants to feel restricted by their surroundings. Mr Szczesny said "It's the most challenging project I ever had... the living conditions in it will require a spaceship-like adaptability". A number of artists including Israeli writer, Edgar Keret, have signed on to live in the skinny house for a few days or weeks at a time during winter.

## PIMPED UP BEETLE

A Croatian company known for making gates and fencing has used their skills to revamp a Volkswagen Beetle in wrought-iron. It took three craftsmen from MG Vrbanus four months to construct the body and mount it onto the frame of a VW Beetle. The vehicle upgrade included 24-carat gold leaf on its exterior, hand-sewn leather interior and an additional 70 kilograms to its original weight of 820 kilograms. Company owner, Sandro Vrbanus, said they selected the VW Beetle because "Everyone knows the Beetle and can readily identify with it. Besides which, it would be not too difficult to remove the sheet metal bodywork and replace it with wrought iron sections." Due to its impressive design, the pimped up ride is popular with wedding parties to ensure an eye-catching arrival, as long as it doesn't rain!

## FISH FINGER OWNER FOUND

A human finger discovered inside a fish has been traced to an American man who lost four of his fingers three months earlier whilst wakeboarding. Fisherman, Nolan Calvin, found the finger when he was cleaning a trout he caught from a lake in Bonner County, Idaho and immediately put it on ice. Calvin then phoned the police who were able to retrieve a fingerprint belonging to 31-year-old, Hans Galassi. It was soon revealed that Galassi had lost four of his fingers from his left hand in an wakeboarding accident on the same lake. Galassi recalled the police phoning with a "strange story to tell me" and was informed about the local fisherman's find but declined to have the digit returned to him.

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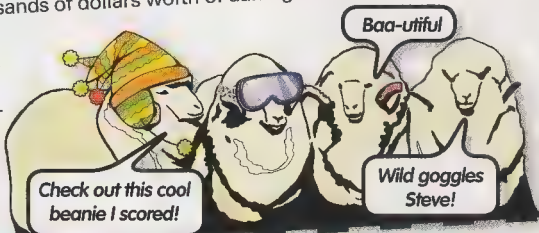
## ENTER TO WIN!

For your chance to win simply go to page 8 for details on how to either post or email your entry. Good luck!



# SPORTS STORE RAM RAID

Shoppers at an Austrian ski resort were shocked when a flock of 80 sheep invaded a local sports store. According to a spokesman for the Intersport shop in St Anton, "We think one of them saw its reflection in a mirror and came in to investigate... And being sheep, of course the rest of them decided to follow." The sheep caused thousands of dollars worth of damage with lawyers now negotiating with the owner of the flock for compensation. Last year, another Austrian branch of the popular sports shop was invaded by a cow who became a star after featuring in their television commercials. However, the chaos causing cow resulted in owner, Hans Schroder, covering a huge bill for the damaged stock.



# HUSH LITTLE BABY

A musician from Canada has developed a mobile phone application which sends restless babies to sleep. New father, Barry Authors, designed the BabyDoze app to imitate "familiar and reassuring" sounds and is becoming increasingly popular. After one major hospital trial, BabyDoze appeared to calm crying babies on 122 out of 124 occasions in under five minutes, giving the app a 98 per cent success rate. According to users, BabyDoze has been more effective than playing music or cuddling. Authors was inspired to develop the app during his wife's pregnancy and created the recording using a Doppler and a specially altered microphone. For less than seven dollars, BabyDoze can be downloaded in Australia, Canada and America.

# HANDY WALK TO SCHOOL

For the past four years, a young Chinese boy has been walking to and from school each day on his hands. Yan Yuhong, of Jiaba village, Yibin, in China's Hubei Province suffered a childhood illness leaving him partially paralysed. Yuhong started out by crawling but then, when he was four-years-old, taught himself how to walk on his hands so he could get around better. Now, at the age of 10, Yuhong can walk faster on his hands than if he was to use crutches. Although Yuhong's daily school journey takes him one and a half hours each way, he is determined to continue and complete his education saying "I don't want to quit...I want to study hard, and support myself in the future."



# ROBOTIC DOGS

A group of American military scientists have developed a series of robotic dogs which can follow army troops through the roughest of terrains. Created by Boston Dynamics with funding from DARPA and the US Marine Corps, the mechanical hounds or 'Legged Squad Support Systems', can carry over 180 kilograms for 30 kilometres without refuelling. After successful trials by America's Marine Corps, there are now plans to further evolve the robotic dogs to talk. One member of the Defence Advanced Research Projects Agency, Lt Col Joe Hitt, claimed "We want a radio operator to be able to tell it to 'sit, stay'. Likewise, the robot could tell them, 'I'm stuck, wait'". Currently, a video on YouTube of the highly developed dogs has received over 969,000 hits!



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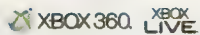
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# KRASH CALENDAR - DECEMBER

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<b>03</b> <b>Why does Santa have a garden? See 11</b>	<b>04</b> <b>Rugger, Jay Z celebrates his birthday</b>	<b>05</b> <b>Yrash is on sale in Aust. Yay!</b>	<b>06</b> 	<b>07</b> 	<b>08</b> <b>Homebake lands in Sydney!</b>	<b>09</b> 
<b>10</b> <b>It's International Human Rights Day.</b>	<b>11</b> <b>So he can ho ho ho!</b>	<b>12</b> 	<b>13</b> 	<b>14</b> <b>Last day of school in Brisbane</b>	<b>15</b> 	<b>16</b> 
<b>17</b> <b>What is Tarzan's favourite Christmas carol? See 23</b>	<b>18</b> <b>Send your school to bed</b>	<b>19</b> <b>Last day of school in Adelaide and Melbourne</b>	<b>20</b> 	<b>21</b> <b>Last day of school in Melbourne</b>	<b>22</b> 	<b>23</b> <b>Adelaide Strikers vs Sydney 6ers in the NRC T20 Big Bash League.</b>
<b>24</b> <b>The word 'Mistletoe' literally means 'Dung Twigs'. Ew!</b>	<b>25</b> <b>Merry Christmas everyone!</b>	<b>26</b> 	<b>27</b> 	<b>28</b> <b>Sydney Thunder vs Brisbane Heat in the NRC T20 Big Bash League.</b>	<b>29</b> <b>Jungle Bells.</b>	<b>30</b> 

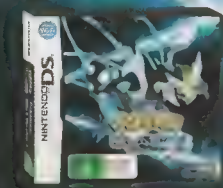
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# JOHN CENA V

## STATUS:

American professional wrestler, John Cena is signed to WWE as a member of its Raw brand. Winning 19 WWE championships including 12 world titles, Cena has had an incredibly successful career.

## STYLE:

You'll catch Cena mostly rocking a comfy and casual style by wearing t-shirts, jeans and usually a baseball cap. Cena also has some pretty meaty muscles.

## PERSONALITY:

Cena may seem like a super tough guy, but he is really down to earth and kind-hearted. Cena has been an enthusiastic ambassador for the Make-A-Wish Foundation. Aww!

## FRIENDS:

Some of Cena's big supporters include his managers, Kenny Bolin, B-2 and Redd Dogg but The Champ also has stacks of good allies in the wrestling world and of course, fans.

## ENEMIES:

In the wrestling ring, John Cena faces a number of enemies in his opponents.

## SKILLS:

Cena's signature moves include the Attitude Adjustment, the STF and the Five Knuckle Shuffle. But, this wrestling champ also has skills in rapping and acting!

## FINAL STATS

**Status:** Winning 19 WWE championships gives John Cena an edge on status!

**Style:** We can't go past the charming and suave style of Bond, James Bond.

**Personality:** Cena takes out the personality stakes with his charity work.

**Friends:** Hmmm... We reckon The Champ

has a few more genuine friends than 007.

**Enemies:** Skyfall's mysterious main villain, Raoul Silva, is definitely on the dangerous side.

**Skills:** When it comes to fast cars, cool weapons and luck with the ladies, James Bond has all the skills!



a celebrity wrestle  
Who would win? Check  
then YOU decide!

# S JAMES BOND

## STATUS:

James Bond is a highly trained secret service agent with the code number 007, who lives in London but travels all over the world fighting crime.

## STYLE:

This secret agent is a tall, slim, handsome man who always looks his best. When he fights crime you'll catch Bond often wearing a slick black suit.

## PERSONALITY:

Smooth and charming Bond also has a passion for the fancier things in life. Agent 007 is dedicated to taking on villains but seems to always have some fun along the way!

## FRIENDS:

Bond's closest ally is his commanding officer, M who is also head of Secret Intelligence Service, otherwise known as MI6.

Sometimes it seems M doesn't like Bond, but, it's just part of her professionalism.

## ENEMIES:

In the latest James Bond flick, *Skyfall*, the main villain is a blonde-haired man named

Raoul Silva who claims he has a personal connection to Bond as well as M.

## SKILLS:

Along with being an awesome secret service agent, James Bond 007 has access to some impressive weapons and hot vehicles. In addition, Bond is multi-talented being a skilled sportsman, driver and fighter.

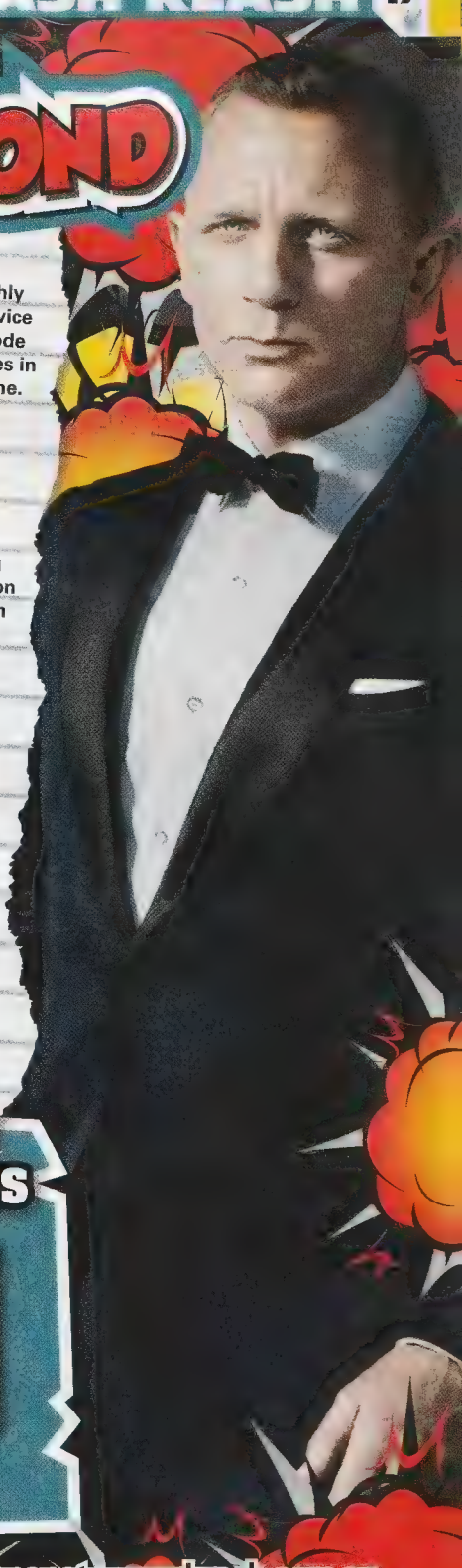
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● **JOHN CENA** ☐

● **JAMES BOND** ☐

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# A Little Birdy

Wondering what your fave WWE Superstars have been Tweeting lately? Us too. So we did some snoopin'...



@RealJackSwagger

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I'm such an American  
I [woo] Budweiser and  
headbunt Bald Eagles!

\*I just received  
my Olympic  
gold medal  
for best all  
around  
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Jack Swagger

@DavidOtunga

WWE Actor Harvard  
Lawyer Father Wrestler  
Raw Smackdown  
Movies Music Reality  
TV

\*Did they announce  
the winner for my  
category yet? Best Scene  
Performance  
by a professional  
wrestler? I got  
this one on lock!



David Otunga

@ZackRyder

WWE Superstar &  
the host of Z! True  
Long Island Story.  
Woo Woo Woo. You  
Know It!

\*Hey I just met  
you...and this is  
crazy...but here's my  
number...so  
call me  
ICED Z!



Zack Ryder

Rosa Mendes

@LaRosaMendes

Most talented Diva,  
smartest Diva,  
beautiful, heart, mind,  
and soul.

\*Getting  
beautiful  
for VICTORY!!!!



Santino Marella

@milanmiracle

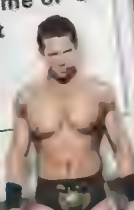
\*Today I made a  
fart in the perfume  
store, it was  
funny to see  
the people  
smelling  
perfumes and  
not sure if  
they liked it



@mikethemiz

The Real World star  
turned WWE Superstar.  
Getting hated on daily  
and loving it. I'm  
awesome. Be Jealous!!!

\*Anyone in the  
Hollywood area  
my dog, Flake, has  
gone missing please if  
u find him let me or @  
maryseOuellet  
know.



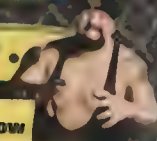
The Miz

Big Show

@WWITheBigShow

The pound-for-pound  
World's Largest Athlete  
is a feared competitor  
who can intimidate a  
WWE opponent with his  
size and stare alone.

\*I laugh at the  
haters. None of you  
can even lace my boots. I  
have competed with the  
best. My accomplishments  
are legendary. U wish u  
were me.





# Told Me...


WWE 19

**Legs**

**@melayol**

Current WWE Diva's Champion, Last women's champion, WWE Diva, former Miami Heat dancer getting ready to conquer the world.

\*Asking dumb questions is better than correcting dumb mistakes!




**Kofi Kingston**

**@TrueKofi**

I am WWE's True Kofi Kingston. A bona fide GoBoy The ONLY speed I know is GO! Call me the Trillbury GoBoy and The GoBoy Wonder. RU a GoBoy/GoGirl? Lots GODOO!!


\*Girl @ Walmart told me I "look like Kofi Kingston" I reply "I think I'm better looking" she says "I think so" Am I insulted or flattered?!



**@JohnCena**

The Champ is Here on Twitter! Leader of WWE's Cenation and 12-time World Champion, in 140 characters or less.


\*Day 3 of rehab, am looks like old banana.



**@WWEepico**

Epico is the nephew of Puerto Rican wrestling legend Carlos Colon, and cousin of WWE Superstar, Primo.

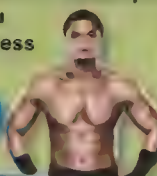
\*Thank you Australia!!! Had an amazing time here down under...



**@PrimoColonWWE**

One half of WWE's best tag team.


\*@WWEDanielBryan You gonna dress as me?



**@RonKillings**

The only real page of Ron Ronnie R-Truth K-Kwik The Truth Killings and that's what's up!

\*Once I reach 1 million followers, I will release my mix tape, with so me original tracks as well.




**Daniel Bryan**

**@WWEDanielBryan**

Professional wrestler, Vegan, Role Model

\*I'm about to slam Hornswaggle for all the sins he's committed against pro wrestling.

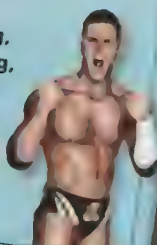


**Alex Riley**

**@AlexRileyWWE**

The Real Alex Riley

\*From this moment forward I would like to be referred to as the Outlasting, Everlasting, "IronClad" Alex Riley.. Thank u




**CM Punk**

**@CMPunk**

WWE Champion! Lovable jerk. Often confused with Batman. Once tipped [someone] with a filet-o-fish.

\*Whatever I eat is the breakfast of champions Because I am the champ.





# T-Rex

## The Driveable Dinosaur

### What Is It?

This weird looker named the Campagna T-Rex is half bike, half car and 100% insane. Its gunning power comes from a 1.4 litre Kawasaki engine and six-speed sequential gearbox which channels 197 horsepower through a single rear wheel - small by car standards, but oh-so hectic for a motorbike! Campagna claims its Jurassic beast will hit 100 km/h in under four seconds and go on to a top speed of 230 km/h! Also the whole contraption weighs easily under half a tonne - about half the weight of a Lotus Elise! At least that rear wheel gets decent sizeage - the fronts are dressed in a pair of standard 16 inchers, while the rear gets a more chunky 17 inch rubber. This gives the Rexy a fighters chance of getting its power down and dirty on a wetish road.



### What's it like?

Umm - like nothing else? The cockpit is open for the most part, with tandem bucket seats and controls (including steering wheel, shifter and pedals) closer to what you'd find in a car. You get no luxury items like doors or a windscreen, but

it does feel like cruising in a car. The power delivery isn't car-like though. The bike engine revs hyper all the way to 11,000rpm, with the mass power not coming until over 7000rpm. Although it looks like it should be taken to the ultimate limit, if you push the T too hard on the exit of a



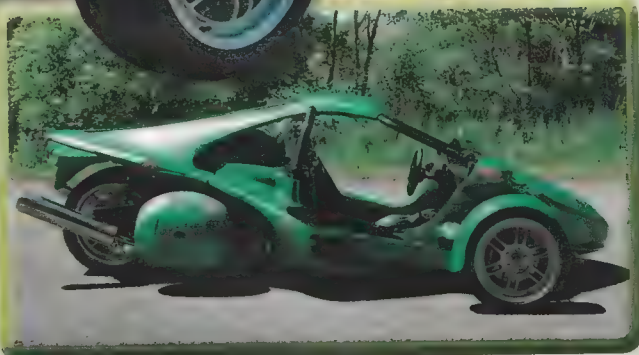




bend, the combo of short wheelbase and power over traction means you'll have to pull out superman stops on the opposite lock to avoid a spinarooni. If you fail to match the revs to engine speed, you'll lock the rear wheel and could quickly find yourself pointing towards a nearby neighbour instead of heading towards the cool corner. Treat it with respect like yo mamma and it will pay you back by cornering fast and flat like a superbike!

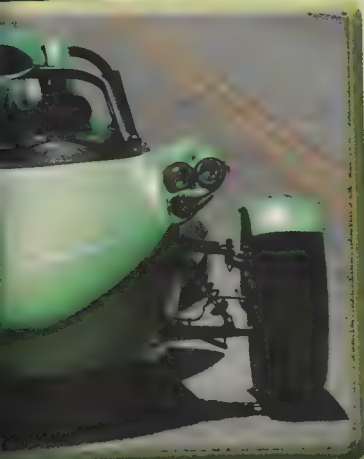
## Should I buy one?

If you like motorbikes sick, fast and scary, then hell



yeah! It's a thrill machine, but not perfect! The micro air deflector does awesome by keeping wind out of your face, but it kinda screws up forward visibility. Also, depending on your height, you may bang your helmet on the low rollover bar – ouch! It's

also super duper expensive. Even though it's a quality build, many peeps may think \$57,000 is just too much for a superbike on three wheels. We still say it's worth it, so start saving your dollars, or get friendly with some rich folks!





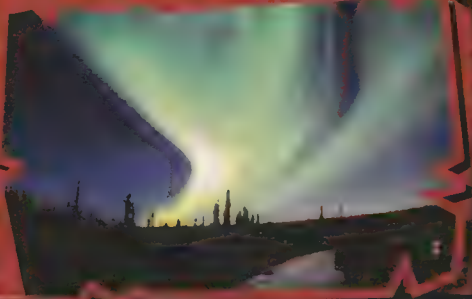
# Freak

## WHAT THE ?

The world is a more mysterious place than we give it credit for sometimes. Take this freaky phenomena for example...

### NORTHERN LIGHTS

IT'S ONE OF THE WORLD'S MOST SPECTACULAR SOLAR PHENOMENA, BUT THOSE HOPING TO SEE THE NORTHERN LIGHTS USUALLY HAVE TO TRAVEL TO REMOTE NORWAY. THE BRIGHT COLOUR THAT SHOOTS ACROSS THE NIGHT SKY IS CREATED BY THE SUN'S ATMOSPHERE, WHICH BLASTS PARTICLES INTO THE MAGNETIC FIELD SURROUNDING EARTH. WHEN THE PARTICLES ARE THROWN TO EARTH THEY REACT WITH IONS IN THE ATMOSPHERE TO GIVE THE SPOOKY LIGHT SHOW.



### CROP CIRCLES



E.Y. TRYING TO PROVE HOOD OR A BUNCH OF FRANKSTERS GETTING UP TO MISCHIEF? CROP CIRCLES - BIG PATTERNS CREATED IN FIELDS OF CROP LIKE WHEAT, BARLEY AND RYE - HAVE DIVIDED PUBLIC OPINION. ON ONE SIDE, PEOPLE SAY THEY ARE MADE BY ALIENS AND UFOS. ON THE OTHER SIDE, PEOPLE ARGUE THE CROP CIRCLES ARE JUST PRANKS BY COLLEGE STUDENTS. BUT MANY OF THE PATTERNS ARE LARGER THAN FOOTBALL FIELDS AND THERE HAVE BEEN REPORTS OF 'DANCING LIGHTS' ABOVE THE FIELDS WHERE THE PATTERNS WERE MADE. ONE THING IS FOR SURE, IF PEOPLE DID MAKE THEM, THEY ARE REALLY CLEVER!

### FIRE TORNADOS

YOU'VE HEARD OF TORNADOS SUCKING UP STUFF IN AMERICA - LIKE DOROTHY AND HER DOG TOTO FROM KANSAS THAT DO THE YELLOW RIVER, HOPE AND THE WIZARD OF OZ DON'T REALLY EXIST BUT FIRE TORNADOS DO - AND IN AUSTRALIA YOU A FILM MAKER LOOKING FOR LOCATIONS OUTSIDE ALICE SPRINGS CAME ACROSS A BUSH FIRE THAT SENT UP A HUGE PLUME OF SUPER-HEATED AIR THAT SUCKED THE FLAMES ABOUT 30 METRES HIGH. SOMEONE THOUGHT THERE FLAMING TORNADO HAD HAPPENED. THE TIME INSIDE LARGE FIRES... WE JUST CAN'T USUALLY SEE THEM ENOUGH TO SEE THEM.







## UNDERWATER VOLCANOES

AREAS ON THE SEA FLOOR WHERE WATER HEATED BY VOLCANIC ACTIVITY UNDER THE SEA BED GUSHES OUT ARE CALLED HYDROTHERMAL VENTS. BLACK SMOKE GUSHES OUT OF THE VENTS AND WATER TEMPERATURES CAN REACH MORE THAN 340°C. SCIENTISTS HAVE BEEN AMAZED TO FIND THE VENTS ARE SURROUNDED BY A VARIETY OF FREAKY LIFE FORMS NEVER SEEN BEFORE. THESE CREATURES RELY ON MILLIONS OF BACTERIA INSIDE THEM TO TURN POISONOUS CHEMICALS RISING FROM THE SEAFLOOR INTO FOOD.

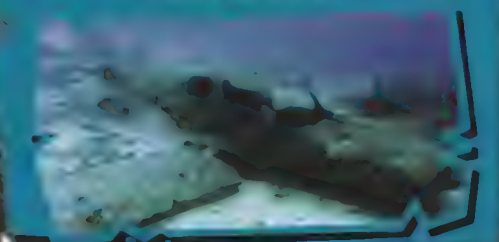
## BLOOD RED MOON

DURING A TOTAL LUNAR ECLIPSE—LIKE THE ONE ON THE NIGHT OF DECEMBER 10, 2011—EARTH'S SHADOW ON THE MOON CAN MAKE IT LOOK BLOOD-RED. THE REASON IS FILTERED SUNLIGHT REFLECTING BUT, BEFORE SCIENTISTS WORKED THAT OUT, PEOPLE THOUGHT IT WAS EVIL MAGIC, A BAD OMEN OR EVEN THE END OF THE WORLD.



## BERMUDA TRIANGLE

ALSO KNOWN AS THE DEVIL'S TIDEMARK, THE BERMUDA TRIANGLE IS AN AREA BOUNDED BY MIAMI, BERMUDA AND PUERTO RICO. IN THE LAST CENTURY, A HEAP OF SHIPS AND PLANES HAVE VANISHED WITHOUT A TRACE IN THE AREA. GIANT SQUID, ALIENS AND A STRANGE THIRD DIMENSION HAVE ALL BEEN BLAMED FOR THE MYSTERIOUS DISAPPEARANCES, WHILE OTHERS SAY IT'S JUST HUMAN ERRORS OR BAD LUCK. ONLY THOSE LOST OF THE MISSING BOATS AND PLANES KNOW THE TRUTH...



## METEORITE STRIKE

LEFTOVER BUILDING BLOCKS OF OUR SOLAR SYSTEM, METEORITES ARE CHUNKS THAT WEREN'T USED UP TO MAKE ANY OF THE PLANETS, MOONS OR ASTEROIDS. THEY DRIFT AROUND IN SPACE UNTIL THEY HIT SOMETHING OR ARE CAUGHT UP IN THE GRAVITY OF A LARGER BODY LIKE EARTH. SOME REPORTS SAY A FALLING METEORITE SOUNDS LIKE A THUNDERCLAP AND MANY ARE STILL GLOWING WHEN THEY STRIKE. IT IS FAIRLY UNLIKELY THAT ONE WOULD HIT, SAY, IN THE MIDDLE OF A BUSY STREET, OR RIGHT THERE IN YOUR FRONT YARD. OR BEHIND YOU, LOOK OUT. BUT I SAY, YOU CAN'T BE TOO CAREFUL. OBVIOUSLY WE SHOULD ALL BE CARRYING FIRE EXTINGUISHERS AT ALL TIMES.



## FROG RAIN

YOU PROBABLY HAVEN'T BEEN RIDING YOUR BIKE IN A STORM AND BEEN PELTS WITH WHAT YOU THOUGHT WAS HAIL BUT TURNED OUT TO BE FROZEN FROGS. BUT OTHER PEOPLE HAVE. FROGS ARE LIGHT ENOUGH TO GET CAUGHT UP IN A WATERY TORNADO, OR A WATERSPOUT. WHEN THE STORM HITS LAND, IT LOSES ENERGY AND THE PRESSURE DROPS. EVENTUALLY, THE CLOUDS RELEASE THE WATER THEY'RE CARRYING, INCLUDING THE CARGO OF FROGS. IT MAY NEVER RAIN CATS AND DOGS BUT FISH, SHELLS AND FROGS HAVE ALL FALLEN FROM THE SKY.





WIN WIN WIN

# LittleBIGPlanet™ KARTING PACKS

## Race the Unexpected!

It's time for Sackboy™ to hit the track in an all new karting adventure for PlayStation®3 as you battle friends in breathtaking karting action to grab first place. Unleash your imagination to customise your own Sackboy, kart and even create your own tracks for an unpredictable experience every time you play.

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# KRASH GAMMESTA

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**THE BEST Wii U  
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# THIS MONTH'S NEWS

**You've been waiting for it and now the Wii U is here! All the details inside.**

## Sony and Xbox Fight Back



You may have heard of this crazy new console coming out called the Ouya, but do you know much about it? Unlike normal consoles that play full disc-based games and cost lots of money to buy, the Ouya is only \$99 - which is super cheap - and plays the same games that work on Android mobile phones. Not just games, but apps like Facebook and YouTube as well. However, using this console you get to play them on a proper TV with a real controller. Considering how many cool games come to mobiles these days, we look forward to seeing the Ouya in 2012.



Angry Birds: Star Wars has been released on mobiles. The Force is with this one.



Kylie Minogue, yes the Aussie singer, is releasing a Wii game for Christmas called Kylie Sing & Dance.



Excellent headset maker Turtle Beach is making an official headphone for the Wii U.



Marvel creator Stan Lee is making a mobile action adventure game called Verticus.



Awesome superhero fighting game Injustice: Gods Among Us will get its own comic series.



We can expect another Need for Speed game in 2013: developer EA is already hiring staff to help make it.



If you want a racing game for your iPhone or iPad, Sega has just released their classic arcade game Crazy Taxi.



Melbourne developer Trickstar Games is working on an Ashes Cricket 2013 game for release in winter next year.



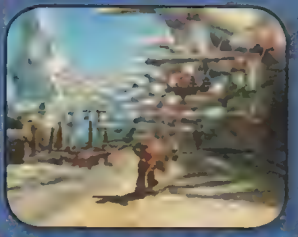
An HD version of classic platformer Ratchet & Clank: Dreadlocked is coming to the PSN.



This is a real shame, but Rayman Legends - the awesome looking Wii U game - has been delayed to early 2013 - doh!



Super exciting Wii U and 3DS game Monster Hunter 3 Ultimate should be with us by March 2013.



## TOP OF THE WORLD CHARTS THIS MONTH

**PS3:** Skylanders: Giants

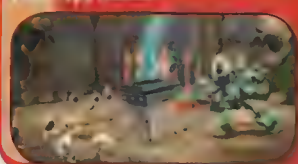
*Final Fantasy XIII-2*

**Wii:** Just Dance 4

*Rock Band*

**3DS:** Madagascar 3

*Spy Hunter*





# UNLEASH YOUR INNER SUPER HERO

BASED ON THE  
**SECRET INVASION**  
STORYLINE

MARVEL

# AVENGERS

## BATTLE FOR EARTH

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KINECT for XBOX 360

XBOX  
LIVE

Wii U  
LAUNCH WINDOW

OUT 8.11.2012

PG

Mild violence.  
Gaming experience  
may change online

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THE BIGGEST GAMES ON THE  
LITTLEST MACHINES

## SUPER MONKEY BALL: BANANA SPLITZ

■ PS3 VITA

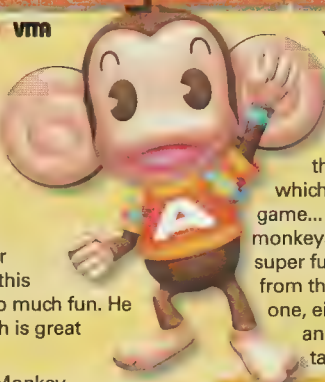
For the last eleven years, there has been a monkey trapped in a ball. No we haven't slipped on a banana and smacked our head: it's true. His name is AiAi and he is the star of the Super Monkey Ball series. Somebody should probably have called the RSPCA or the Crocodile Hunter or something by now, but we think this cheeky monkey is having way too much fun. He doesn't want to be rescued, which is great news for gamers.

If you have ever played a Super Monkey Ball game before, then you'll already know how it works. You need to guide AiAi through race track-like stages avoiding obstacles, collecting bananas and trying to do it as fast as possible.



It starts out being simple enough, but the action quickly intensifies as the tracks get trickier and you have to dodge more and more threats. Plus bonus stages pop up regularly and challenge you with specific tasks.

This latest instalment for the Vita follows the same basic idea, but it does a really good job of keeping things difficult. The slope of the stages quickly increases, which makes AiAi and his ball roll faster, while half-pipes become steeper, cliff drops appear, large gaps open up where you need to fling the little hairy dude to safety and sometimes the platforms themselves are moving.



You can also keep an eye out for shortcuts and secret exits amongst the mayhem - it really is addictive.

Also like the previous releases, the awesome minigames return, which are kind of like an Olympics game... if the Olympics were all about monkeys in a ball. Short and sharp, but super fun they are a great distraction from the main game. They're not the only one, either. There's multiplayer to enjoy and a new feature that allows you to take a photo with the Vita's camera



and then have it be turned into a level by the game - plus you can share it with friends.

It's a shame that the Vita's controls - especially the touchscreen and the motion-controls - aren't better utilised, but the cute graphics and themed worlds (a first for the series) ensure that AiAi won't be leaving his ball anytime soon.



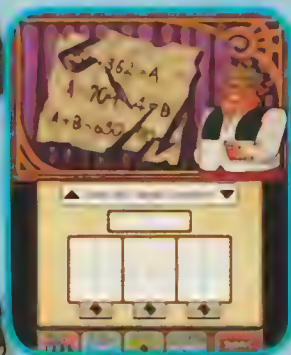
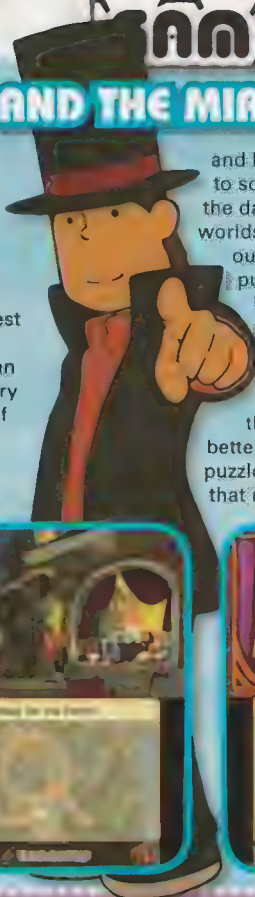


## PROFESSOR LAYTON AND THE MIRACLE MASK

■ **DS**

Everybody loves a good whodunit - unless the mystery is "who farted?" - and the Professor Layton series is one of the best. It combines cool characters, with cartoon-like cutscenes and fun puzzle-heavy gameplay that uses the touchscreen. This latest entry has an interesting story that unfolds in a quirky town that's based on an old European village. This town is celebrating its anniversary and has a big carnival planned, but instead of enjoying the festivities the people are being harassed by a masked man that is turning people to stone. The Professor, his assistant

and his apprentice are called in to solve the mystery and save the day. Exploring the detailed worlds for clues and then testing out your brain power on the puzzles that block your path isn't for action junkies, but if you like a good story and being challenged to think then you'll really love this game. The only thing we wish it had was better use of the 3D effect in puzzles; they'll have to solve that mystery for next time!

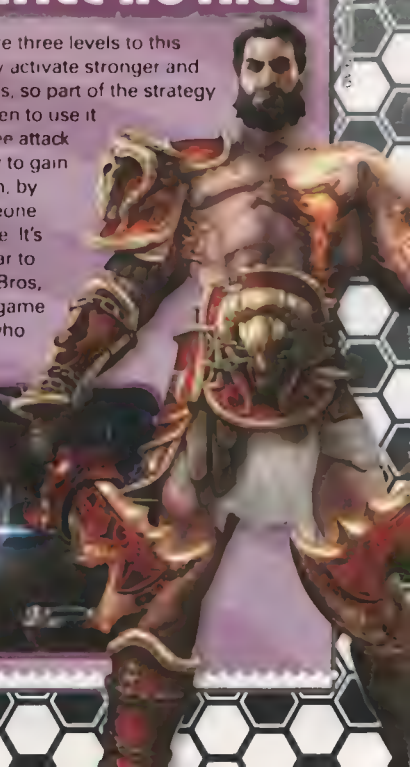
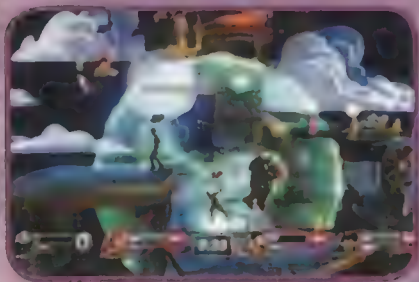


## PLAYSTATION ALL-STARS BATTLE ROYALE

■ **VITA**

It's time to bring on the biff! PlayStation All-Stars Battle Royale is a four player fighter directly inspired by Nintendo's Super Smash Bros and it puts all the greatest heroes from Sony's consoles into one arena so they can beat each other to a pulp. It's as simple and as awesome as that! The 14-plus arenas and weapon pick-ups are also based on Sony games like Ratchet & Clank, Sly Cooper and LittleBigPlanet, and we like the way the level itself moves and affects the combat. Each of the 20-plus characters has their own moves to master, and the more you beat up your opponents the more orbs you collect to power your special attack

meter. There are three levels to this meter and they activate stronger and stronger attacks, so part of the strategy is deciding when to use it up. A level three attack is the best way to gain a point, though, by knocking someone out of the stage. It's all pretty similar to Super Smash Bros, but since that game is awesome, who cares?





# BIGGER IS BETTER

**Nintendo has supersized the 3DS to the 3DS XL, which means more screen space for gaming's greatest heroes that will make for one sick Christmas present!**

We've been madly in love with the 3DS ever since it first released in early 2011. The idea that we could play games (and take photos) in 3D without wearing any silly glasses blew us away and it was awesome that the two-screen system and stylus-based gameplay of the first DS remained intact. In fact you could even play DS games! However, more power meant better graphics, and the 3DS-focused games that have been steadily coming out for it ever since have been pretty awesome. But being the greedy so-and-sos that we are, we wanted more, more, more.

Thankfully, Nintendo has delivered with the 3DS XL... as in, extra large. The screens on this crazy handheld offer 90% more space for your gaming adventures, which means more 3D, more graphics and more fun. Somehow, the company has managed to do this and at the same time increase how long the battery will last by up to 90 minutes. Plus it comes bundled with a

4GB memory card, which allows you to take and store more photos or, better yet, get onto the eShop where you can find lots of cool games to buy and download.

If you haven't looked at the eShop before, you really should as you can get really good value for money with some of the games that are available. Plus, the first DLC is starting to appear - you can buy extra challenge levels for New Super Mario Bros. 2, for example.

The 3DS XL comes in Black, Silver, Blue, Red (which is our favourite) - we suggest asking Santa for it, but if you have to save up some pocket money, you'll need \$249.95.



## TOP 5 Classic 3DS Games

1. Super Mario 3D Land
2. Mario Kart 7
3. New Super Mario Bros. 2
4. Kingdom Hearts 3D: Dream Drop Distance
5. The Legend of Zelda: Ocarina of Time 3D



## TOP 5 3DS Games for 2013

1. Paper Mario: Sticker Star
2. Luigi's Mansion: Dark Moon
3. Monster Hunter 4
4. Professor Layton vs. Ace Attorney
5. Lego City Undercover





# TAKING A POKÉ AT THE 3DS

**For over a decade handheld gamers have been addictively tracking down Pokémon and it's no different on the 3DS XL. There are two different ways to enjoy these crazy critters on Nintendo's latest handheld wonder.**

## Don't Forget About the DS

There has been one game in the Poké series made for the 3DS so far: it was Pokémon Rumble Blast. This spin-off to the main series is more like an action-RPG experience, as you battle in real-time through dungeons as the Pokémon, while also exploring towns. If that's not your cup-of-tea (or you have already finished it) don't forget that your DS

games will work on your 3DS, too. There are over 15 Pokémon games on the DS, but the recently released Pokémon Black & White 2 is the pick of the bunch. It offers all new areas in the region of Unova to explore, new gyms to discover, 300 Pokémon to collect and the series' classic turn-based battle system.



## The eShop

If you head over to the eShop you'll discover plenty of great stuff. Pokémon Dream Radar is an unusual spin-off to the Pokémon series that focuses on the Nintendo 3DS's augmented reality abilities using the handheld's camera. You hold up your 3DS like it's a viewfinder and use it to look around your environment. Dream Clouds will appear and you need to blast at them to get Dream Orbs, which in turn can be used to buy upgrades and increase the challenge. Occasionally, instead of an orb a PokeBall will drop out and you will need to capture it with your beam - this earns you a special Pokémon or an item that can be used in your Pokémon Black & White 2 game. How cool



is that!

Also on the eShop is Pokédex 3D Pro, which is more of an App than a game. It collates the data and moves for 640 different Pokémon and allows you to not only examine them in 3D, but see them with full animations and sound. Plus you can use Augmented Reality to get the Pokémon to run around your house, swap data with friends and test your knowledge in a quiz. It's pretty awesome for fans as it can help your learn more about becoming a better trainer.



### DID YOU KNOW?

You can access the eShop by connecting your 3DS XL online.



# THE WII U

Everything you need to know about Nintendo's new console.

Can you believe that it's almost here? We've been hearing about the Nintendo Wii U for years now, but this month it finally arrives on store shelves and you can finally check it out for yourself. Is it the best possible Christmas gift you could imagine? Read on and find out?

## When, Where and How Much?

**T**he magic day is November 30: this is when the Nintendo Wii U will go on sale in Australia. There are two different models to choose between. The first costs \$349.95 and it's a white system with a basic hard drive of 8GB and a GamePad controller. The better choice, if you can afford it, is the \$429.95 black system. It has 32GB of storage - which is a lot more space if you plan on downloading extra content - and it comes with an awesome free game

called *Nintendo Land*, a GamePad and stands for both the console and the controller. It will be available in all your favourite game shops across the country.

Sadly, neither package comes with a Wii-mote, so if you don't have one already from your current Wii console, you will have to buy one (or more) to enjoy multiplayer games.





# IS HERE!

## Is It Just a New Wii?

The Wii U is a bit of a silly name for a new console and it has confused a lot of gamers who think it is just a new version of the old console that has been around for years. This is not correct. This is a brand new console that is a lot more powerful, with all new computer parts buzzing away in its guts. Where the old Wii was a lot less powerful than the Xbox 360 and PlayStation 3, the Wii U is more powerful, which means you will be able to enjoy Nintendo games in full HD.

Also different is the online connectivity of the Wii U compared to the previous

system. The system is fully built for online, with better multiplayer, social hubs where

- you can chat to friends, shops
- where you can buy extra content or full games and even
- apps that let you do things like watch TV shows or check out
- social sites like Facebook.

## A New Way to Play

As well as a more powerful machine, the Wii U provides a whole new way to play games thanks to its amazing controller. Called the GamePad, this controller has all the familiar buttons and triggers, but also a giant touchscreen right in the centre of it. It's almost like a handheld! This is used by games in all kinds of creative ways. Sometimes it's for exploring

your map or managing your inventories. Other times in multiplayer a second player can interact with the world in a completely different way to their friend. And then there is ability to turn off

- your TV completely or change the channel and just play the game from the screen in your hands - how crazy is that?

Also, because the Wii U is way more powerful than the Wii, a lot of developers who usually make games just for the PS3 and 360 will be bringing their titles to this new system. This should mean a greater range of games to choose from and more genres to enjoy. Lastly, the 3DS will be able to connect to the Wii U for certain games, although we're not sure how this will work yet.

## The Final Verdict

The Wii U is a pretty awesome console.

We love the way that the GamePad is used to make new styles of games and it is awesome playing multiplayer on this system. It's also great that it is powerful enough to run games in

HD and there sure are a lot of good titles to choose from for Christmas. The big question is whether the next consoles from Microsoft and Sony will be even better again and make the Wii U feel old in a year or so, but that is super hard to judge. For now, we'd totally be popping this one on our Christmas wish list.

### DID YOU KNOW?

There are no games yet that can use two GamePads at once, but when they arrive in 2013, you'll be able to buy a second controller on its own.





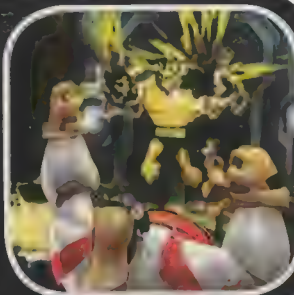
# THE BEST OF WII U

So you're all ready to buy one of Nintendo's new game consoles, but that's just the first quest to defeat. Then you need to choose a game. Here are our picks of the launch titles:

## BEN 10 OMNIVERSE

The mighty Ben 10 is back in one of his biggest games yet. With 14 playable alien forms joining Ben and his sidekick Rook, plus 11 levels to conquer, there is certainly a lot to discover in this game. Especially as you can level-up the alien forms and Rook, who

can be controlled by a second player, uses something called a Prototool that can transform into different weapons. It also has an interesting new visual style, that is more like a cartoon, and a unique, time-travelling story. This fun combat-heavy, co-op platformer is also coming to 3DS, DS, Wii, 360 and PS3.



## RISE OF THE GUARDIANS

It's not to be one of the biggest films of Christmas, but Rise of the Guardians will also be bringing its legendary characters to the Wii U as well. The story sees Santa, The Tooth Fairy, The Easter Bunny, Sandman and Jack Frost joining forces to take down

an evil spirit from bringing darkness to the world. Four person co-op gameplay is perfect for playing with friends and as you progress through the adventure you will unlock new moves and level-up. The game is also out on 3DS, DS, Wii, 360 and PS3... but why not play it on the new console?



## SCRIBBLENAUTS UNLIMITED

We fell in love with Scribblenauts on the DS: it's unique puzzle element - where you could type in the name of an object and have it pop to life in the world - was just so awesome. For the launch of the Wii U, the series returns with the

same cheesy graphics, but the various puzzles are better linked together and there is even a bit of story. But coolest of all, now after you create an object you can edit it, giving it all kinds of crazy properties and behaviour (like explode) using the GamePad. A version is also coming to the 3DS.



## NINTENDO LAND

Arguably the biggest of all the launch games is the latest sidescrolling platformer from the legendary Mario. This is the first time that gamers have had a chance to play him in HD and boy do the bright worlds of the Mushroom Kingdom look amazing. A world map allows you to

choose which order to tackle the stages, and a host of new and old power-ups are on offer. But the most exciting aspect is the four-player multiplayer: four gamers control characters on screen while the fifth interacts with the world using the GamePad's screen - well





# MARIO MADNESS

**Nintendo has two classic old-school Mario experiences available this Christmas for their two new consoles: the 3DS XL and the Wii U. Hopefully you will not have to choose between the two and can get both!**

## NEW SUPER MARIO BROS. U FOR WII U

It's no surprise that Mario is the star of the Wii U's launch. This is the first time that gamers have



had a chance to play him in HD and boy do the bright worlds of the Mushroom Kingdom look amazing. It also feels like there is more activity on screen as you move through each world and you really have to keep on your toes to avoid falling to your death. Unlike the most recent games in the series, New Super Mario Bros. introduces a proper world map. This allows you to choose which order to tackle the stages, which we much prefer. A host of new and old power-ups are on offer, of course, with our favourites being the Spiny Suit (that allows Mario to glide through the world and cling to walls) and the ability

to blow up mini-Nobles like balloons so you can float into the air. But the most exciting aspect is the five-player multiplayer: four gamers control characters on the TV while the fifth controls new platforms and interacts with enemies and objects using the GamePad's screen - so cool!



## NEW SUPER MARIO BROS. 2 FOR 3DS XL

Looking bigger and better than ever on the supremed 3DS XL, this Marioverse sequel brings everything we love about a Mario game to the forefront. It's a classic side-scrolling platformer where the aim with the mostache-faced lovable bloke is to coin, sink down pipes and bunny-pounce koopas. Naturally there are some rare power-ups and our favourite is the Super Leaf - this gives Mario the Luigi in-to-p mode! a Rayoosh Suit, which fits a tail for falling enemies and also allows the heroic brother to fly for short distances. There are also Gold Flowers that, when shot at bricks, turn them into coins. In fact, gold is definitely the focus in this game, as you'll collect way more

coins than ever before. There are also that rare anomaly into coins and a mask that makes gold coins appear when Mario runs. There is even a Coin Rush mode where your only task is to collect as much money as possible. After plying this, you'd be forgiven for thinking Mario's next game will be Super Mario Bank!



### HOT TIP

Look out for the 3DS XL that comes bundled with New Super Mario Bros. 2 for \$299.95



# AVENGERS

**Wii U  
LAUNCH  
GAME****Game: Marvel Avengers: Battle for Earth****Format: 360, Wii U****Release: November 8 (360), November 30 (Wii U)**

If there is one thing those Marvel superheroes are good at, it's fighting. So after the success of recent films like *The Avengers*, *Captain America: The First Avenger*, *Thor*, *Iron Man* and *The Amazing Spider-Man*, we're glad that somebody has rounded up all these cool heroes into a game and given them a chance to show off their skills against each other. However, even in our wildest dreams we never thought we'd be able to do it on the new Nintendo console, or act out the moves for real using the Xbox 360's Kinect!

• This game has a lot of modes. There is a full campaign with a story to enjoy: it revolves around the Skrulls, an alien race of shape shifters that have launched a secret invasion of Earth. You're able to choose your favourite super heroes to help save the day, but here is the twist - because they are shape shifters, some of these aliens look and behave like other heroes, which makes for some epic battles.

• There is a co-op mode, too, which allows a friend to join in the fun. And on top of these experiences, you also have straight multiplayer battles in the likes of Tournament



and Versus modes, as well as a Challenge mode - when you consider you can unlock stacks of bonuses the more you play and that there is a Tag option where you can team up two heroes in the same fight, then this really is a very big game.

The combat is so over-the-top, too. Each of the characters has four super attacks to utilise beyond the standard punching and kicking and once you've built up to it, there's also an ultra move. They all looks super powerful. For example, Hulk can rip up chunks of rock from the ground and hurl them at enemies. Captain America bashes people high into the air with his shield. Spider-Man tries to wrap people in his web so they can't move as he unleashes a combo. And Iron Man fires deadly laser beams from the palms of his hands. If you like your Marvel heroes you will have great fun trying out these spectacular attacks.

Playing the Kinect version is particularly interesting. You need to throw punches and kicks for real to watch them unfold on screen, while striking certain poses or making particular actions can activate launchers or special moves. This includes





# ASSEMBLE!



flinging enemies high into the air, then hitting them as many times as possible on the way back down.

While some movements are standard between characters, others are unique and to pull off the best stuff you will need to combo together various poses - thankfully you get some help from an icon at the bottom of the screen. Leaning left or right allows your character to dodge incoming attacks or you can side-step to circle an opponent, while raising your left arm is how you tag in a new fighter. It can get pretty hilarious in two-player versus games as you and a friend stand side-by-side hurling attacks into the air in front of you. Thankfully, the Kinect is pretty good at picking up your movements, although you'll get a good workout during a fight.

While we weren't able to check



out the Wii U version before release, we do know that motion also plays a role in its controls, whether you are using a GamePad or a standard Wii-mote controller.

Thankfully, the visual style doesn't go for a "realistic" look like the recent movies and sticks to a comic style. We're quite thankful for that, because it has allowed the developer to create

some awesome effects and crazy moves that really make the combat such a lot of fun. It helps that the stages are colourful and filled with cool background details and pieces that break under force, too.

If you're looking for a good fighting game this Christmas that's different from all the rest, this has enough super hero power to keep you fully charged for months.

## Who's In The Game?

- Black Widow
- Captain America
- Doctor Doom
- Eddie Brock
- Green Goblin
- Hawkeye
- Iron Man
- Loki
- Magneto
- Nick Fury
- Spider-Man
- Storm
- Super-Skrull
- The Hulk
- Thor
- Wolverine
- + four secret characters





# SONIC GETS



**Game:** Sega & All-Stars Racing Transformed

**Format:** PS3, 360, Wii, 3DS, PC, Vita

**Release:** November 15

Mario and Sonic would have had the best fights at school... if they weren't too busy saving princesses or rescuing the world. Ever since the early nineties these two legends of gaming have been going head-to-head in big adventures, sporting games and now racers. But we think the spikey blue dude may have got one over the chubby character in the red hat and his famous Mario Kart series. It's all about the Transformed in the title as this kart racer takes the action up not one level, but two.

If you've ever played a Kart racer before, you'll get the idea of this game. You and your friends (if you are playing multiplayer) choose a character and vehicle, then take to obstacle-filled tracks with the aim of getting to the finishing line first. To help you on your way are power-ups, weapon pick-ups, boost pads, shortcuts and more. However, that's where most games in the genre stop, but Sonic & All-Stars Racing Transformed keeps going.

Each track is broken into sections



that require a new type of vehicle. There is of course the car, where four wheels take you over the rugged terrain and off jumps, but there is also a section that requires a boat and a third where you must be in a plane. This sounds like it could get complicated, but it actually works really well in the heat of battle. When you need to transition from one form to another, you go through these force field like gates that instantly transform you into the new vehicle without even slowing down. It's super cool.

It's also awesome that the tracks - of which there are 16 new ones joining favourites from the previous game - sometimes let you choose different routes that require



different vehicles. In fact the track design in this game is amazing. Not only are the laps really long and filled with lots of variety, but they make really good use of the themes of famous Sega games thanks to the excellent graphics.

It certainly helps that the controls are excellent. It would have been a bit lame if you had to spend a few seconds adjusting to your new form each time you changed,





# EVEN FASTER



but it's so easy to just pick-it-up and keep on racing that it only adds to the fun. It's especially important that the flying works as this is really hard to get right in racing games, but it works a treat and you'll soon be weaving in and out of boost points and obstacles like a champion.

Each of the vehicle forms behaves with some level of realism. Obviously you wouldn't be usually busting tricks off lava

• waves or barrel rolling between stalactites, but things like drifting in the car, using waves to get air in the boat or facing downwards to grab speed in the plane feel right. Even ramming your opposition into obstacles feels like it should and as with the last game, you're always building your All-Stars meter, which unlocks your All-Star Move.

• Speaking of which, building your All-Stars meter also lets



you level-up your cars and add modifications in the single player Adventure mode. Here you must perform well to unlock new tracks and characters. This is good fun, but we prefer the multiplayer - you can race against 10 people online, or do four-player splitscreen and both are brilliant fun.

In fact this is a brilliant game and could very well be the best kart racer going around. It's definitely worth picking up as soon as you can race down to the store.

## The List of Playable Characters

- ▷ Sonic the Hedgehog
- ▷ Miles "Tails" Prower (from Sonic the Hedgehog 2)
- ▷ Knuckles the Echidna (from Sonic the Hedgehog 3)
- ▷ Amy Rose (from Sonic the Hedgehog CD)
- ▷ Doctor Eggman (from Sonic the Hedgehog)
- ▷ Shadow the Hedgehog (Sonic Adventure 2)
- ▷ Aññi (from Super Monkey Ball)
- ▷ Rmigo (from Samba de Amigo)
- ▷ Beat (from Jet Set Radio)
- ▷ Gum (from Jet Set Radio)
- ▷ B.D. Joe (from Crazy Taxi)
- ▷ Gillius Thunderhead (from Golden Axe)
- ▷ Vyse (from Skies of Arcadia)
- ▷ Joe Musashi (from Shinobi)
- ▷ Ulalo (from Space Channel 5)
- ▷ Nightsa (from Nights into Dreams)
- ▷ Realeza (from Nights into Dreams)
- ▷ Danica Patrick (a real-life NASCAR driver)
- ▷ Ralph (from the Wreck-It Ralph movie)
- ▷ Metal Sonic (from Sonic the Hedgehog CD)
- ▷ You can also play as your Avatar on the 360 version, or your Mii on the Wii U version.





## WHAT'S HOT

We have some top games this month, each hoping to gain a spot on your Christmas wish list

### LEGO THE LORD OF THE RINGS

PS3, 360, Wii, 3DS, DS, PC, VITA

Just like the Middle-earth, each new place in the Lego series just keeps getting bigger and bigger - and we want more and more! It's hard to believe that this is the 18th game in the series as the last seven years, but there will be no complaining from us if it keeps coming! In free stand steps this is the latest game for Lego The Lord of the Rings series developer Traveller's Tales has built on the classic co-op platform adventure we know and love with a host of exciting new RPG elements and a brand new way to tell the story.

This RPG component can be best seen in the Free People mode. Here the player and all in eight followers can explore the land of Middle-earth at will, causing various combat encounters with evil dudes like you, finding more



of the 84 playable characters, enjoying quests or something out of collections. Some of these books like Mithril can be brought in a blacksmith who will craft them into new items that you can use in the game.

In fact, like many RPGs, during the game you will be able to collect specific items that have special abilities and store up to nine of them in your inventory. This includes the item of the Light of Eowyn.

Over time, more and more The Free People mode, the story mode can be played with your friends and features the cool epicness system whereby you can level in completely different characters. This is especially cool in Free People, where you can use of the new free bought a vehicle to get around the world faster.

The story has been changed from previous games by using actual dialogues from the films rather than taking away all the laughs. It is actually good to hear the real character's voices and the animations and outdoors are still hilarious. The entire Lord of the Rings story is told, too, it's not just full like previous games, such as Lego Harry Potter - and the graphics are fantastic. The world of Middle-earth has so much visual variety and the battle scenes are just huge.

And the same, easy to master controls and stacks of unlockable content and you have probably the best Lego game yet. Definitely not to be missed.

#### DID YOU KNOW?

A prequel movie to Lord of the Rings is coming out called The Hobbit - we wonder if it will get a LEGO game.



GAMESTA HEAT: 🔥🔥🔥🔥

GAMESTA VERDICT: THE ONE GAME



## F1 RACE STARS

PS3, 360, PC

Sonic may be the biggest star with a Kart racing game for this Christmas, but he does have some competition. If you're a big fan of Formula 1 and stars like Mark Webber, then F1 Race Stars could be for you. This takes the classic F1 experience and gives it a Kart twist. Not only does this mean smaller, Kart-like vehicles and

cartoon versions of the drivers, but the famous tracks are given crazy new elements like loop-the-loops, jumps and corkscrews. What makes this game cool is that Kart-like features - such as power-ups and boost pads - are combined with F1 features like slipstreaming, pit lanes, wet weather and damage, plus the car handling feels quite good. Naturally there is full multiplayer support, including four-player splitscreen and 12-players online, a full Career and a stack of fun party modes. This is certainly an interesting new



direction for the Formula 1 series, but they've done a great job and it's worth checking out.

### DID YOU KNOW?

There's a rumour that F1 Race Stars will also come to Wii U - we sure hope so!



GAMESTAR HEAT

GAMESTAR VERDICT

FASTEST LAP

## LITTLEBIGPLANET KARTING

PS3

There's not one, not two, but three karting games coming out this Christmas and the third stars the always cute Sackboy, from the LittleBigPlanet platforming games. This game also follows the classic Kart-game formula of obstacle filled tracks, shortcuts and power-ups, although it does have some

unique features. This includes the use of grappling hooks to swing across large gaps or to reach shortcuts and the ability to slap nearby racers to stun them. It also veers away from circuit racing to have eight-player arena battles, treasure hunts, rally-like point-to-point races and more - there is even a story mode, with a proper story. But what really makes LittleBigPlanet Karting stand out is its customisation. Not only can you modify the characters and vehicles, but you can design your own



weapons, tracks and race types - it doesn't have to be a circuit, it could be anything! You can then share these on the Net. So if you're the creative type, this is definitely the kart-racer for you.



GAMESTAR HEAT

GAMESTAR VERDICT

CREATIVE DRIVER



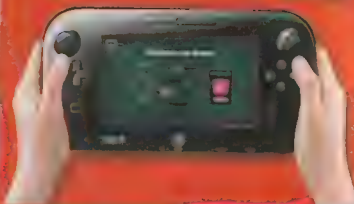
# TRANSFORMERS PRIME

Wii U, Wii, 3DS, DS

While the last Transformers game, called Fall of Cybertron, was more of an action blockbuster like the movie, this new game is based on the cool TV show instead. When a meteor carrying Dark Energon reaches Earth, it shatters into pieces that land everywhere. Megatron believes they can be used to create a new weapon, which forces the Autobots to make sure

he and the other Decepticons don't get their robot hands on them. You'll get to play as many of your favourite Transformers - including Optimus Prime, Ironhide, Arcee, Bumblebee, Hound and Ratchet - and the story has you interacting with the human characters from the show. Ark, Miklo and Rael. The gameplay unfolds from the third-person perspective, and it's mostly a brawler, where you get to unleash appreciable melee and shooting attacks on enemies in many

different environments. However, you can also transform into vehicle form for a range of driving sections. We like how the visual style and voices stay true to the cartoon, and there's a range of cool multiplayer modes, too.



GAMESTA HEAT:

GAMESTA VERDICT: PRIME TIME

# NEED FOR SPEED: MOST WANTED

PS3, 360, PC, VITA

Familiar to Gamers? Paradise? Not down around this big open-world brawler jumps, going through speed traps, laying huge caution and, of course, racing. Well, those guys are behind this new Need for Speed game and it includes all of that stuff and more. You find yourself in the city of Fairview where you're free to cruise around, setting challenges and you can become the most wanted driver in the city. Of course this

means doing illegal stuff and that means you'll receive fines. We can tell they don't happen at any time, even in mid-race, and you'll have to drive with speed and still be careful. We also like how you can press a button and shift into any car you see. So it's less of a just exploring, finding cars, and then trying them out. The mechanics are great - driving is just what it is. We'll have fun and



we see the long drive, there's also an extensive online multiplayer experience, with fun party modes and a multiplayer system that allows you to challenge your friends. Good thing!



## DID YOU KNOW?

This is not the first game called Need for Speed: Most Wanted - there was one in 2005 for the PS2, GameCube and Xbox

GAMESTA HEAT:

GAMESTA VERDICT: SPEED IS WHAT WE NEED



# EPIC MICKEY: THE POWER OF ILLUSION

It's a big reveal for Mickey Mouse. In a few pages you will learn about his big platform adventure game for consoles, but the legendary cartoon character has a different experience in store for handheld gamers. Power of Illusion is a classic 44-minute roller coaster where you navigate past obstacles, defeat bad dudes and run into all kinds of cool characters from Disney along the way. It's all set in and with Mizrabel's castle, which is transported into the Wasteland by an evil wizard. It



seems that Minnie Mouse is trapped in this huge building and it's up to gamers as Mickey to rescue her. While the classic old-school gameplay is great fun in itself, we really like the



way that Mickey's paint brush is used (fans of the console games in the series will know about this). You can erase and bring-to-life objects in the world by tracing over them on the Toad-Farmers. The better you trace, the better the object works. It's a cool idea and helps make this one of the great 3DS games of Disney.

GAMESTA HEAT ★★★★

GAMESTA VERDICT: SQUEAKY



# WIN

## Disney **EPIC MICKEY 2** THE POWER OF TWO

Discover 30 years of forgotten Disney characters and theme park attractions in Disney Epic Mickey 2: The Power of Two!



Available from November 22!



In Disney Epic Mickey 2: The Power of Two, players will take on Mickey Mouse and Oswald the Lucky Rabbit, two Disney characters who have been forgotten. Discover 30 years of forgotten Disney characters and theme park attractions in Disney Epic Mickey 2: The Power of Two. The game is available on PlayStation 3 and Xbox 360. It also features full support for the PlayStation Move!

PlayStation 3. Xbox 360. Disney Epic Mickey 2: The Power of Two. The game is available on PlayStation 3 and Xbox 360. It also features full support for the PlayStation Move!



## ENTER TO WIN!

For your chance to win simply go to page 8 for details on how to enter post or email your entry. Good luck!

# CHEATS

+ MORE!

Because playing by the rules is for losers.

## POKÉMON BLACK & WHITE 2 (DS)

■ **FORMAT: DS**

Completing your Pokédex is the goal of any good trainer in this popular game, but unlike previous entries in the series, you actually earn useful items for doing so. They are listed below:

- License:** See all of the Unova Pokédex
- Round Charm:** Catch all of the Unova Pokédex
- Shining Charm:** Catch all of the National Pokédex

## NBA 2K13

■ **FORMAT: ALL FORMATS**

You can type in the following codes at the cheat menu:  
**+3 to ball handles:** Spriteeffect  
**Unlock the ABA Basketball:** payrespect  
**Get UA Torch Shoes:** underarmour

## ORCS MUST DIE! 2

■ **FORMAT: PC**

### HOW DO I UNLOCK?

**How Do I Unlock?**  
**Classic Order costume:** Complete the story on Apprentice or War Mage difficulty  
**Double Jump:** Complete the story (works for War Mage only)  
**Feather Fall:** Complete the story (works for Sorceress only)  
**Knight of the Order costume:** Complete the story on Nightmare difficulty  
**Nightmare difficulty:** Complete a campaign on Apprentice or War Mage difficulty

## FABLE: THE JOURNEY

■ **FORMAT: 360**

**Avatar Rewards**  
 Once you finish the game, you will be rewarded with three bits of clothing that you can use to dress up your avatar. They are a Fable: The Journey T-Shirt, a Mask of the Devourer and Theresa's Blindfold.

## TEKKEN TAG TOURNAMENT 2

■ **FORMAT: ALL FORMATS**

How to start a match with your second partner. When the "get ready for the next battle" message appears, make sure you hold down the tag button and the game will begin as the second character.  
**Alternate Tag Victory Pose.** If you manage to K.O. an opponent with a Tag throw, Tag assault or Tag combo, quickly hold down one of the face buttons for a different pose.

## DEAD OR ALIVE 5

■ **FORMAT: ALL FORMATS**

### HOW DO I UNLOCK?

**How Do I Unlock Extra Characters?**  
**Akira Yuki:** Defeat Akira in Story Mode  
**Alpha-152:** Obtain 300 titles  
**Gen Fu:** Clear Eliot's Story Mode Chapter  
**Pai Chan:** Obtain 100 titles  
**Sarah Bryant:** Defeat Sarah in Story Mode



# RIB

**RIB TICKLERS** 45

**CELEBRATE THE SILLY SEASON  
WITH SOME CHUCKLES.**

# TICKLERS

**Q: What happened to the cold jellyfish?**

**A: It set.**

**Q: Why did the train driver quit his job?**

**A: He got sidetracked.**

**Q: What do elves learn at school?**

**A: The elfabet.**

**Q: What do you call a ham you really want?**

**A: Pork-you-pine.**

**Q: What do you call a ghostly doctor?**

**A: Surgical spirit.**

**Q: What do you call a potato that does impressions?**

**A: An imi-tater.**

**Q: What kind of bird has wings but cannot fly?**

**A: Roast turkey.**

**Q: How do sheep greet each other at Christmas?**

**A: "Merry Christmas to Ewe".**

**Q: What did the gorilla call his first wife?**

**A: His prime mate.**

**Q: What did one snowman say to the other snowman?**

**A: "Can you smell carrot?"**

**Q: Why couldn't the athlete listen to her music?**

**A: Because she broke the record.**

**Q: What's big, grey and sends people to sleep?**

**A: A hypno-potamus.**

**Q: What do you get if you cross a kangaroo with a chicken?**

**A: Pouched eggs.**

**Patient: "Doctor, Doctor, I keep thinking I'm an angel".**

**Doctor: "Well, don't harp on about it".**

**GOT AN HILARIOUS JOKE?  
SEND YOUR RIB TICKLERS TO  
KRASH@NUCLEAR.COM.AU  
WITH THE SUBJECT HEADING  
'RIB TICKLERS'.**





# A LUNA PARK

Following the recent success of The Avengers, Spider-Man and Batman movies, there's never been a better time to be a superhero. If this isn't enough, imagine having one of Australia's most iconic playgrounds as your office, getting to go on rides all day and having thousands of kids idolise you - well that's all in a day's work for Luna Park's Superheroes. Best job in the world? We think so! We asked Lizelle, Ian and Lucinda what it's like to play a superhero.

**KRASH:** How long have you been a Superhero?

**Lizelle:** I've been a Superhero for 3 years now and I'm still loving my job!

**Ian:** About 2 or 3 years. I can't remember how long exactly because it has all meshed together into a fun blur of shenanigans.

**Lucinda:** I've been a superhero for about 3-4 years.

**KRASH:** What made you want to work at Luna Park?

**Lizelle:** I came across the advertisement in the paper and thought I'd give it a shot. It has turned out to be a job that I love and that lets me be me.

**Ian:** I was in my first year

of university studying engineering and a friend told me that there was an opening for a performer at Luna Park Sydney. I guess I wanted an excuse to muck around and be silly.

**Lucinda:** Originally Luna Park was just a means of earning extra money while at university, but it became

so much more than that. I have a lifetime of memories and have made lifelong friends.

**KRASH:** How many kids have you helped?

**Lizelle:** If I were to attempt to count all the guests I've helped, I'm sure there would be no more time to help any at all!

**Ian:** A few thousand. I think the parents, and especially grandparents appreciate the help more.

**Lucinda:** There's no way I could possibly put a number on it. I often joke about the hundreds of photos and home videos I've appeared in over the years and the countless times I've sung happy birthday to kids.





# SUPERHERO

**KRASH:** What's your most memorable Superhero moment?

**Lizelle:** Last holiday there was an upset birthday girl because she was too short to ride the Tango Train and her balloon had popped. I took her to the front of the queue at the Wild Mouse (roller coaster) which her parents were too scared to ride and I rode with her...TWICE! She laughed so hard she completely forgot about the Tango Train.

**Ian:** The summer holiday days, when it's non-stop. You can't run fast enough to get to everyone, and there comes a point where you find you've worn through your fourth pair of shoes for the day!

**Lucinda:** Summer holidays are always fun. Everyone is extra excited because they have such a long time off school to relax. Every day is fun and we get to meet some great people.

**KRASH:** All superheroes have a weakness, what's yours?

**Lizelle:** Fairy Floss! Sometimes I sneak a Fairy Floss break in between my Superhero duties.

**Ian:** The 6th ride in a row



on The Spider. On a hot summer's day after a big lunch it finishes you right off. You need to keep going though, because you don't want any kids missing out.

**Lucinda:** I can't fly! Often we need to be at multiple locations around the park all at once, that's where fairy floss comes in handy. It's always great for a quick energy boost.

**KRASH:** What's the most common question you get asked at Luna Park?

**All of them:** Where are the toilets?!

**KRASH:** Who's your favourite comic book superhero?

**Lizelle:** SUPERMAN!

**Ian:** As a kid, all the other kids would dress up as Batman, but I would come to parties with my undies on the outside of my pants

trying to look like Superman. He is so much better!

**Lucinda:** I like Spiderman. I like how he started out as a regular teenager before he got his powers and then he became a hero. With great power comes great responsibility!

**KRASH:** What's your favourite ride at Luna Park and why?

**Lizelle:** I love the Spider. It's so much fun. I love the sharp turns and the spinning. It's a short ride but a speedy one.

**Ian:** The Wild Mouse. I'm a sucker for a rollercoaster. The dodgems are a close second. The kids and I love to play tactical games. We sneak up on their mum or dad. Classic.

**Lucinda:** I've always had a soft spot for the Tango Train, it's the party ride. I love riding it.



# KRASH TEST

## ROCKIN' ROADSTER

TAKE ONE LOOK AT THE RAZOR GROUND FORCE DRIFTER AND YOU'LL SEE WHY FOUR WHEELS ARE ALWAYS BETTER THAN TWO.

### REV HEAD

It might look like an old-school go-kart but this mean machine is packing some serious modern-day technology. Its high-torque motor can hit speeds of 19km/h with thumb-trigger acceleration control for up to 40 minutes on a full charge.

### SPORT DESIGN

Super Slider POM rear slick wheels, an upgraded rear axle and moulded aluminium front wheels means you can throw the Razor Ground Force Drifter into epic power slides, throw fishtails, or whip out 180-degree turns.

### SAFETY PATROL

Of course, staying safe while pulling high-speed tricks is the most important thing. The Drifter's sturdy lap and shoulder harness will keep you strapped in nice and tight. But don't forget to wear your helmet and knee and elbow pads at all times.

**RATING:** ★★★★★★★

**SCORE IT:**  
\$399  
from leading  
toy stores

This month we bring you an extended **KRASH Test** - so you can get your wish list ready for Santa!

### LAB RAT: GRIT EXTREMIST SCOOTERS

**TEST RESULTS:** These scooters are so strong that there's no trick on Earth that could bust them down. The heat-treated alloy deck, triple alloy clamp and Nycore wheels means it can take any beating you can hand out.

**RATING:** ★★★★★★★

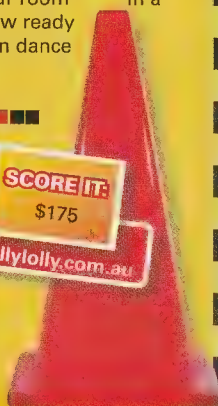
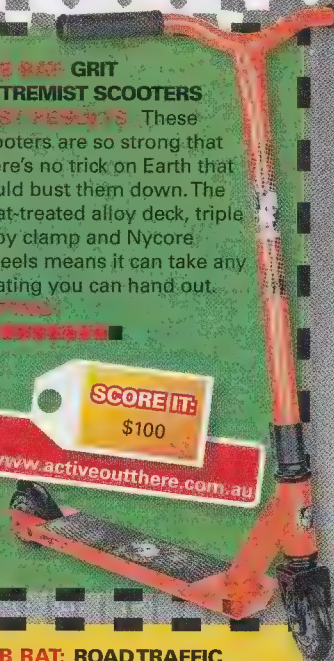
**SCORE IT:**  
\$100  
FROM [www.activeoutthere.com.au](http://www.activeoutthere.com.au)

### LAB RAT: ROAD TRAFFIC LAMP

**TEST RESULTS:** Pimp out your bedroom with this super funky lamp that looks just like an ordinary traffic cone. But turn off the lights and watch in bathe your room in a wild red glow ready for your own dance party.

**RATING:** ★★★★★★★

**SCORE IT:**  
\$175  
FROM [www.lillylolly.com.au](http://www.lillylolly.com.au)





## LAB RAT: NERF VORTEX PYRAGON BLASTER

**TEST RESULTS:** Little sisters everywhere are hiding in terror thanks to NERF's first-ever drum-fired blaster. What does that mean? You get up to 40 discs for rapid-fire carnage before you need to reload. Hold the trigger down for Slam-Fire mode!

**RATING:** ■■■■■■■■■■

**SCORE IT:**  
\$79.99  
from toy retailers



## LAB RAT: IPHONE APPBLASTER AUGMENTED REALITY GUN

**TEST RESULTS:** Turn your humble iPhone into the ultimate gaming machine with this high-tech kit. Simply download the app, plug in your iPhone and the built-in camera turns your real-life environment into a fantasy gaming space.

**RATING:** ■■■■■■■■■■

## LAB RAT: FUNKYFONIC HEADPHONES

**TEST RESULTS:** You'll look as cool as the music on your iPod with these super funky headphones. Choose from a range of bright colours to match your mood, or go with our fave - this totally rock'n roll skull and crossbones design.

**RATING:** ■■■■■■■■■■



**SCORE IT:**  
\$43.90  
www.logitech.com.au

## LAB RAT: PIPING HOT BODYBOARD

**TEST RESULTS:** As well as looking completely cool, these 84cm boards feature contoured deck channels, double rails with pin line and crescent-rolled tail, which make them the perfect boards for beginner wave riders.

**RATING:** ■■■■■■■■■■



**SCORE IT:**  
\$34  
stores nationwide

## LAB RAT: TECH DECK LONGBOARDS

**TEST RESULTS:** The Tech Deck craze continues with the new range of longboards. The new StickyTech Deck tape makes pulling table-top ollies, slides, grinds and flips much easier, and the grooved wheels graphics are smoking hot.

**RATING:** ■■■■■■■■■■

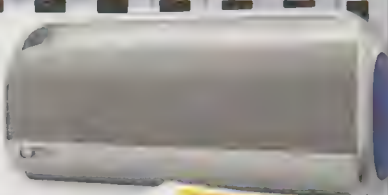


**SCORE IT:**  
\$4.95  
retailers

## LAB RAT: LOGITECH MOBILE BOOMBOX

**TEST RESULTS:** Bring the beat to your next summer pool party with the Logitech's sweet Mobile Boombox. You can stream your music directly from your smart phone and pump the volume from up to 50 feet away.

**RATING:** ■■■■■■■■■■



**SCORE IT:**  
\$49.95  
retailers



# KRASH TEST

## CHOPPER CHASE

FLY THE FRIENDLY SKIES WITH THE POWERFUL AVATAR 4CH GYRO HELICOPTER AND SOAR TO NEW HEIGHTS.

### FAMILY SCHOOL

The Avatar 4CH Gyro is all about precision flying so you'll want to spend some time mastering the flight controls. The built-in gyroscope provides a more stable ride, but you'll need to log some flight time if you're to become a top pilot.

### IMP AND BOM

The infra-red remote control gives you pin-point control of the chopper. Functions include turn, dip, spin and hover, so with a few expert flicks of your thumbs, you'll be able to make your flyer behave just like a real helicopter.

### WORLD MATRINE

The Gyro is small enough to sneak past any radar undetected, so its perfect for mounting sneak attacks on unsuspecting siblings and leading spy missions into dangerous new territory.

### RATING:

★★★★★★



SCORE IT:

\$49.95

FROM [www.latestbuy.com.au](http://www.latestbuy.com.au)

### EPIC MICKEY 2 THE

### POWER OF TWO

Gamers will play as Mickey Mouse and for the first time ever, Oswald the Lucky Rabbit, Walt Disney's first cartoon star, in an all-new adventure. It also features full support for the PlayStation Move!



SCORE IT:

\$69.99

### LAB RAT: LEGO STAR WARS: THE BATTLE OF HOTH

**TEST RESULTS:** Gather three of your best buds for this exciting game of strategy and luck: Darth Vader has discovered Luke Skywalker's secret base and his ground forces are ready to attack. Can you stop them?



SCORE IT:

\$49.00 from leading retailers



### LAB RAT: SKYLANDERS GIANTS STARTER PACK

**TEST RESULTS:** Lead a team of heroic Skylanders in an all-new adventure. This installment introduces 16 new characters to the fantasy world of Skylands – including super-sized giants – and the Portal of Power takes gaming to a whole new level.

**RATING:** ■■■■■■■■■■

**SCORE IT:**

\$99.00  
from leading  
retailers



### LAB RAT: ZOKU QUICK POP SINGLE

There's nothing like an ice pop on a hot summer arvo, but waiting for them to set in the freezer could take hours. But don't fret, this nifty gadget will freeze you up a tasty, ice-cold snack in just seven minutes.

**SCORE IT:**

\$39.95  
from leading  
retailers

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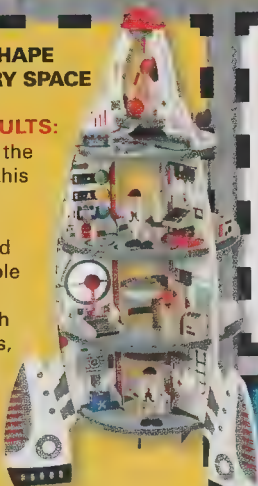
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### LAB RAT: HAPE DISCOVERY SPACE CENTRE

**TEST RESULTS:**

Blast off to the stars with this multi-level spaceship. Constructed from durable wood and packed with accessories, fly your astronauts to distant planets and explore the alien environments of your wildest imagination.

**RATING:** ■■■■■■■■■■



**SCORE IT:**

\$195.00

FROM [www.monkeycaboos.com.au](http://www.monkeycaboos.com.au)



**SCORE IT:**

\$34.99  
from all major  
retailers

### LAB RAT: ROXX TRIXX STADIUM

**TEST RESULTS:** ROXX is the hot new collectable disc game that's sweeping Australia. Launch your fave ROXX discs into the holographic TRIXX stadium arena and check out the weird 3D illusions they make in the stadium mirrors.

**RATING:** ■■■■■■■■■■

### LAB RAT: DINO BEAN BAG

**TEST RESULTS:** Whether you're kicking back in front of the X-Box or just hanging in your room with some buds, this cool cotton bean bag is as comfy as it gets. And the funky dinosaur design looks pretty good too.

**RATING:** ■■■■■■■■■■



**SCORE IT:**

\$59.95

FROM [www.kasaustralia.com.au](http://www.kasaustralia.com.au)

### LAB RAT: FUSHIGI MAGIC GRAVITY BALL

**TEST RESULTS:** Master the dark art of contact juggling and entertain your mates for hours with this gravity-defying ball. Learn the right moves and you'll be able to make the ball appear to be floating in mid air. But, remember, practice makes perfect.

**RATING:** ■■■■■■■■■■



**SCORE IT:**

\$20.00

FROM [www.bigw.com.au](http://www.bigw.com.au)

### LAB RAT: WORX SD SCREWDRIVER

**TEST RESULTS:** Whether you're making running repairs on your skateboard or building the ultimate go kart, this light-weight, easy-to-use power driver will get the job done. But make sure mum or dad is always there to help.

**RATING:** ■■■■■■■■■■



**SCORE IT:**

\$69.99

FROM [www.worxtools.com](http://www.worxtools.com)



# KRASH TEST

## FIRE BALL

**LIGHTS OUT NO LONGER MEANS THE END OF YOUR BALL GAME THANKS TO THE ULTRA-COOL NERF FIREVISION SPORTS RANGE.**

### HOW TO PLAY

Flick off the lights and keep your game going in the dark with NERF Firevision Sport's awesome light-up football. Slap on a pair of the included glasses and you'll never miss a catch no matter what the conditions.

### DRINK TEAM

The really cool thing about Firevision is that you see the ball as a different colour to your opponents. Make sure your teammates are wearing the same glasses and you'll all see the ball as green, while your rivals will see it as red.

### WHAT'S IN THE BOX

In addition to the footy, can also choose from other Firevision playsets including a round ball for some after-dark cricket, or a basketball set for shootin' hoops long after the sun goes down – so playtime never has to come to an end.

**RATING:** ■■■■■■■■

**SCORE IT:**  
\$26.99  
from most major  
toy retailers

### ERUPTING VOLCANO

Build your own volcano with paper mache, give it a killer paint job with the included brushes, then watch it spew lava when you unleash a frothing, foaming mix of baking soda and vinegar. Who knew science could be this cool?!



### LAB RAT FABER-CASTELL ANIME ART SET

**TEST RESULTS:** If you fancy yourself as the next top animator, then this art set is for you. Download detailed drawing instructions and get busy with the included eight Art Grip Aquarelle coloured pencils, GRIP 2001 2B pencil, PITT artist pen and paintbrush.

**RATING:** ■■■■■■■■



**SCORE IT:**  
\$14.95

**FROM** [www.faber-castell.com.au](http://www.faber-castell.com.au)



**ADVENTURETIME SLAMACOWS WITH SOUND**

TEST RESULTS: 4.5

Bring home your fave friends from the Cartoon Network's Adventure Time for a pillow fight to remember. Slam the plush toys together to hear them speak your favourite sayings from the show.



**SCORE IT:**  
\$45.00  
from all good toy retailers



**SCORE IT:**  
\$45.00  
FROM [www.tactillianttoys.com.au](http://www.tactillianttoys.com.au)

**LAB RAT: TEGU**

**TEST RESULTS:** Let your imagination run wild with this old-school construction

set and build anything you can dream up with wooden blocks that stand the test of time. Chose from the eight-piece pocket pack, 22-piece Endeavour set, and 40-piece Explorer set.

**RATING:** ■■■■■■■■

**LAB RAT: BEN 10 OMNIVERSE INTERGALACTIC PLAYSETS**

TEST RESULTS: Collect

all three of these out-of-this-world playsets and combine with the Intergalactic Plumber Command Centre Deluxe Playset (sold separately) to create the ultimate Omniverse Space Station as seen in the hit show.

**RATING:**

■■■■■■■■



**SCORE IT:**  
\$29.99  
from all major retailers



**SCORE IT:**  
\$29  
from Target stores nationwide

**LAB RAT: PIPING HOT WETSUIT**

**TEST RESULTS:** You'll look every part the pro surfer as you stride down the beach wearing one of these beauties. It will also take the edge off the cold water, prevent board rash and, most importantly, keep you sun safe.

**RATING:** ■■■■■■■■

**POKEMON TCG DRAGON VAULT THREE PACK**

TEST RESULTS: 4.5

Become the undisputed king of the Pokemon Trading Card Game with this powerful booster pack. You score five foiled unique Dragon Pokemon and Trainer Cards, and a code to unlock your new powers online.

**RATING:** ■■■■■■■■

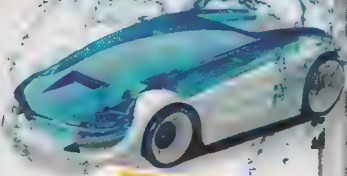


**SCORE IT:**  
\$20  
from most major retailers

**LAB RAT: SALT WATER FUEL CAR**

**TEST RESULTS:** Forget riding in your dad's dorky hybrid, and build your own model car that's powered by salt water. You'll learn all about the latest clean energy technology, and you can even use it to ace your next science project.

**RATING:** ■■■■■■■■



**SCORE IT:**  
\$29.95

FROM [www.latestbuy.com.au](http://www.latestbuy.com.au)



# OVER THE R

Practice makes perfect, so grab your board, head to the skate park, and try this awesome trick. Can you do it as well as Josh?

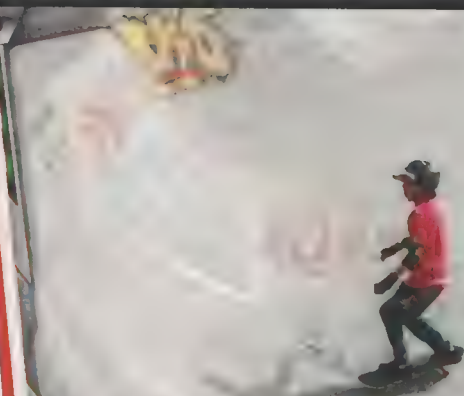
To do this trick you need lots of speed. Give yourself lots of attempts to build the courage to climb a big ramp like this one.

## STEP 1:

Get your skateboard moving fast. Push off the ground with your back foot to gain momentum. Keep your front foot on the board and your arms out for balance.

## STEP 2:

As you approach the ramp, lean forward and pull your front foot back towards your back foot. This will help you to launch yourself over the ramp. Keep your arms out and your eyes focused on the ramp ahead.





# OUND SPINE

## STEP 3:

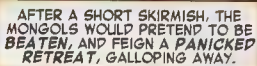
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is in the air, you  
should pump your  
feet up and  
down to keep the  
board in the air.

## STEP 4:

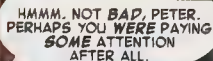
As the skateboard  
is in the air, you  
should pump your  
feet up and  
down to keep the  
board in the air.

**STOKIN'! YOU  
JUST NAILED THE  
L SPINE.  
PURE GNAR!**





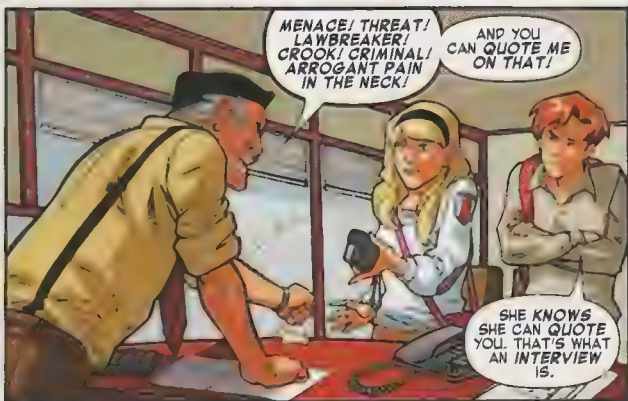
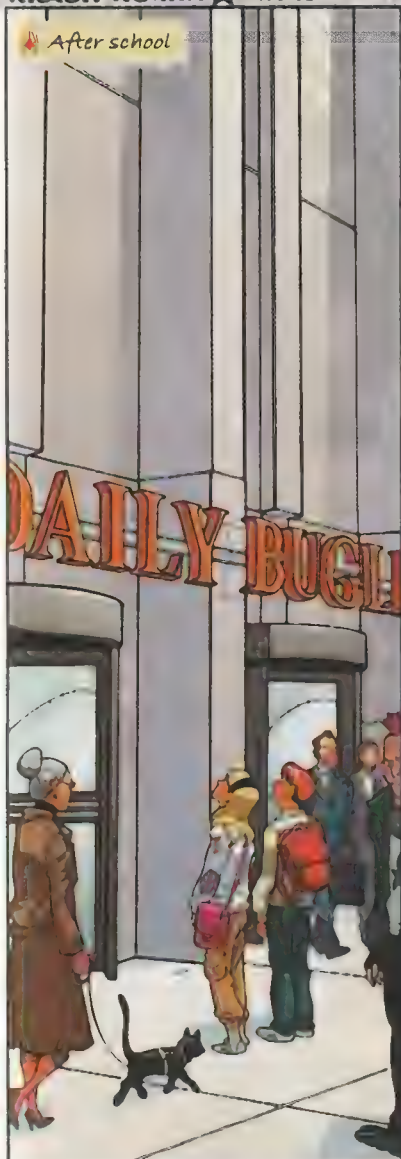
THE OPPOSING ARMY WOULD  
MISTAKENLY SENSE A ROUT, AND  
WOULD ABANDON THEIR DEFENSIVE  
POSITIONS IN PURSUIT.



YOU MAY  
TAKE YOUR  
**SEAT**  
AGAIN.









SOMEBODY  
NEEDS TO  
HELP.

Torino Mansion.  
Home of Berto Torino:  
head of the Torino  
Crime Family.

SPIDER-MAN'S  
BEEN PUNCHING  
HOLES IN OUR  
OPERATION.

WE GOT A  
FEW HUNDRED GUYS  
IN THIS FAMILY, AND  
WE'RE BEING RATTLED  
BY ONE GUY. OR ONE  
SOMETHING.

PUT A  
PRICE ON  
HIS HEAD.

WE'VE GOT  
A PRICE ON  
HIS HEAD.

MAKE IT  
BIGGER. ONE  
MILLION  
DOLLARS.

HE  
COSTS US  
TWICE THAT  
MUCH IN A WEEK.  
PROFITS ARE  
DOWN.

MY MEN ARE  
WALKING AROUND  
AFRAID OF GETTING A  
LITTLE WEB ON THEIR  
HANDS. THE OTHER  
FAMILIES ARE  
LAUGHING  
AT US.

I THOUGHT  
BULLSEYE WAS  
GOING TO SOLVE  
THIS PROBLEM  
FOR US.

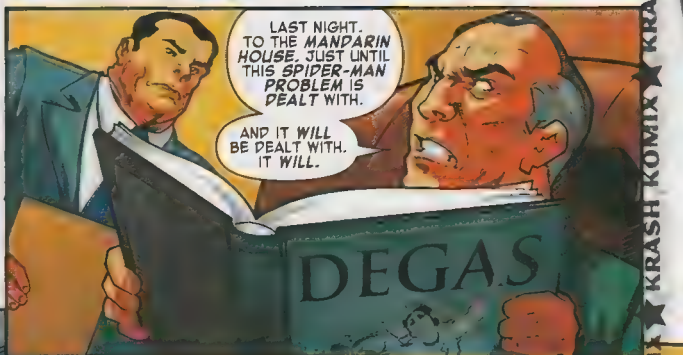
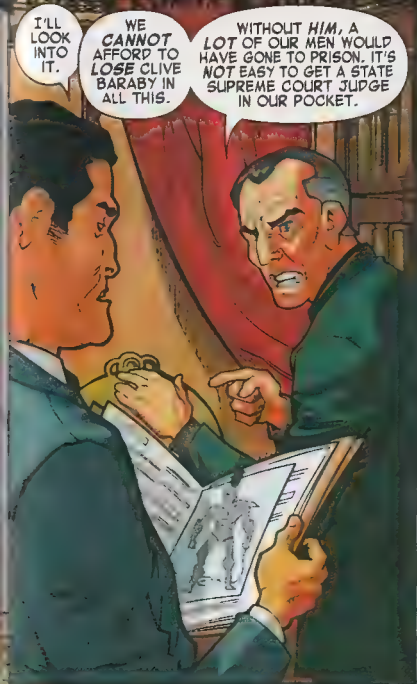
BULLSEYE  
IS LIKE A CAT  
PLAYING WITH  
A MOUSE.

BUT MEANWHILE, THAT MOUSE  
IS OUT THERE COSTING US  
MONEY, DAY IN, DAY OUT, MESSING  
WITH OUR SOURCES OF INCOME.

I DON'T WANT A CAT  
THAT PLAYS WITH THIS  
MOUSE. I WANT A DOG  
THAT EATS HIM.

YOU FIND  
ME THAT DOG.







## ★ The Mandarin House

HE WON'T  
GET YOU, HE  
CAN'T.

NOT  
HERE.

YOU DON'T KNOW  
WHAT HE'S LIKE. I'VE  
SEEN HIM IN ACTION.  
I'M NOT SLEEPING  
RIGHT ANYMORE.

CLIVE, CLIVE.  
THAT'S WHY WE DO  
THE FIGHTING, AND  
YOU JUST SIT ON A  
BENCH. YOU DON'T  
HAVE TO WORRY  
ABOUT WHAT--



HELLO?  
POLICE PEOPLE?  
I JUST SAW SPIDER-MAN  
BUST INTO THE PRIVATE  
TEMPLE ON WEST 43RD, NEAR  
BRYANT PARK! RIGHT... THE  
ONE WITH THE STATUE  
IN FRONT!

IT'S LIKE A  
WAR ZONE! LOTS  
OF MOBSTERS, AND  
THERE'S ALL SORTS  
OF WEIRD WEAPON  
FIRE, LIKE LASERS  
OR SOMETHING! YOU  
BETTER SEND A LOT  
OF POLICE!

HELLO? DAILY BUGLE?  
SPIDER-MAN IS STORMING  
THAT PRIVATE TEMPLE ON  
WEST 43RD, NEAR BRYANT PARK!  
YEAH... THE PLACE WITH THE  
STATUE!

LISTEN...  
IT'S A BIG FIGHT!  
MOBSTERS EVERYWHERE,  
AND LASERS! SEND LOTS  
OF REPORTERS! PEOPLE  
HAVE A RIGHT  
TO KNOW!

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# SPY HUNTER

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# MARVEL THE AVENGERS BATTLE FOR EARTH

SEE IF YOU CAN SPOT ALL TEN DIFFERENCES.





# Disney EPIC MICKEY 2 THE POWER OF TWO

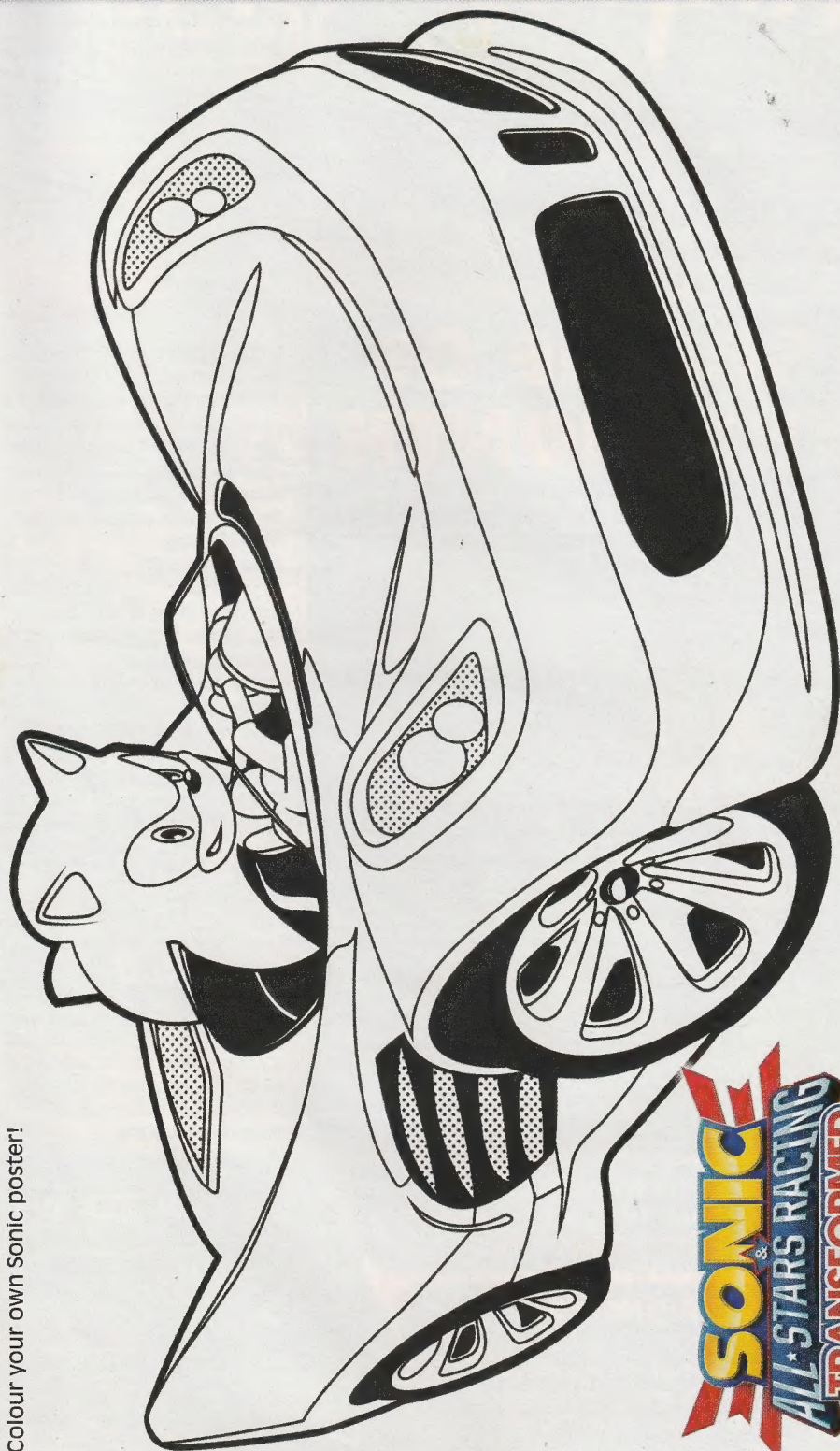
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# SHAME SHACK

Gee KRASH Headz. You are one crazy bunch!  
Check out these 100% REAL stories!

## SHAME OF THE MONTH



I was at a birthday party and I was playing with the some kids with a wagon. There was a construction site with some big hills and I told them I would take them so we could ride down the hills. I was the one that went first. This hill was huge, and I was flying down it. I came to the bottom and realised that I really couldn't stop. I turned the wheel and the wagon tipped over and I fell straight on my butt on the asphalt. I had hurt my tailbone so bad I couldn't even get up. The kids had to wheel me in the wagon back to the house and tell everybody at the party what happened. For the rest of the night I laid on the couch with ice on my bottom. That was the worst embarrassing injury ever.

Sam, by email

I was at the pool and we were having a diving party. My mates were all jumping off the highest diving boards so I bet my pants that I could dive off the very top one! But would you believe it - I fainted when I looked down. That's not all. The biggest shame is that when I woke up I was in the change rooms and my pants were taken!

Bob, by email

I was playing donkey's tail at school (where you all have a tail and you run around trying to pull each other's tails out). I was running around when someone came up behind me and grabbed my tail. But my tail didn't just come off, so did my pants! Everyone was staring! It was so embarrassing.

Jamie, by email

One day I went to my school to play soccer with my mates and it started to rain. We started to play a game and there was mud everywhere so it was slippery. I went to kick the ball but then I missed the ball and landed in the mud on my bum. It looked like I had pooped my pants - and the bad part is that I had to walk all the way home with people staring at me.

Boe, by email

There was one time when my cousins came over for a sleepover. My sis had just come home from netball. I went in and put on her netball uniform. I went out and my cousins screamed out and all da people came in. It was soooooo embarrassing!

Matthew, 10, NSW

**SORRY KRASH-HEADS. SHAMES UNDER 100 WORDS LONG WILL RARELY BE PUBLISHED. WE WANT TO KNOW EVERYTHING!**

### ENTER ONLINE

You can also enter the Shame Shack online. Get onto the web and go to [www.krash.com.au](http://www.krash.com.au) and go to the Shame Shack box. Don't forget your age, name and address!



## ENTER TO WIN

This month's Shame of the Month story scores a copy of LittleBigPlanet Karting for the PS3.

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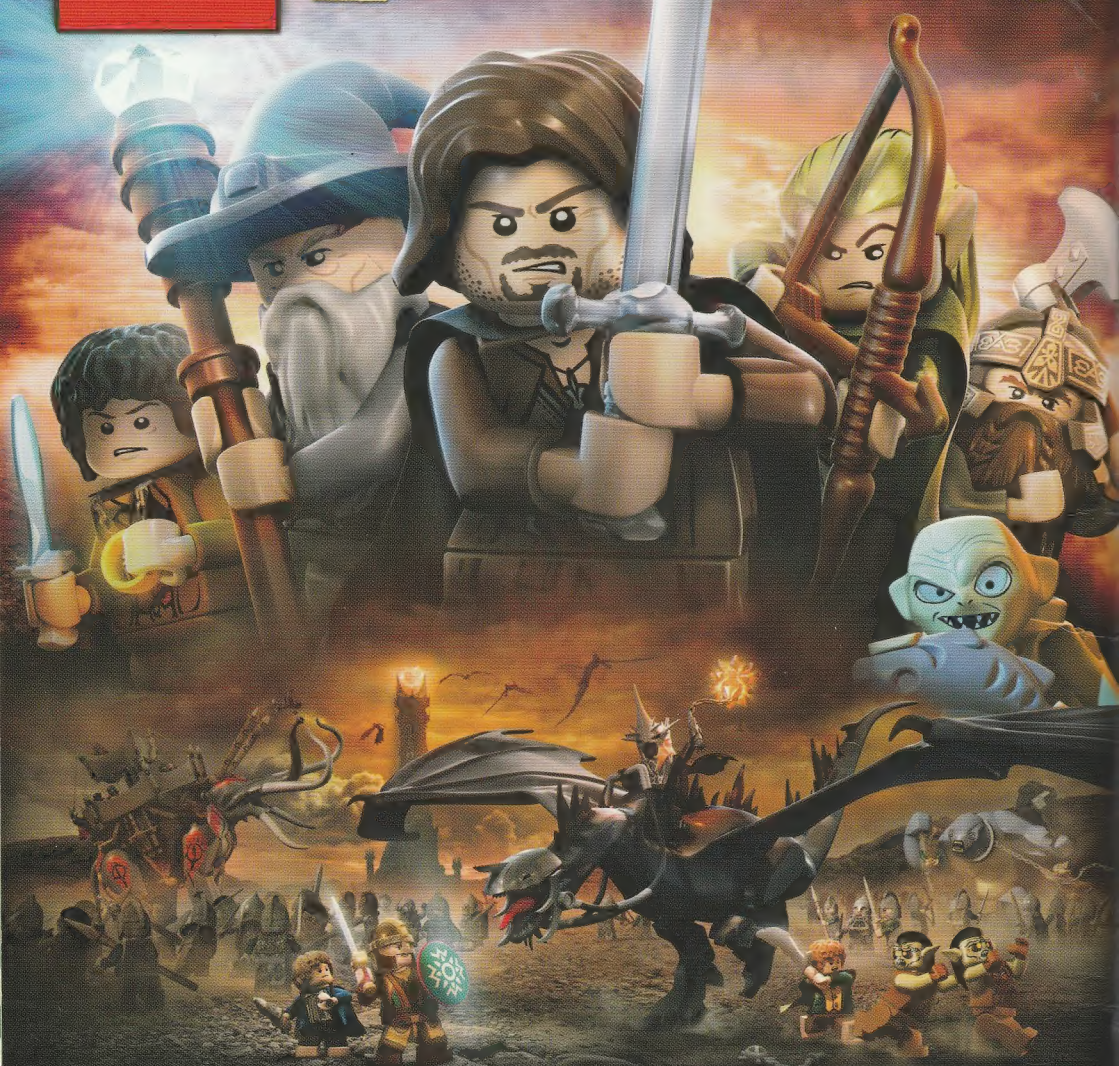
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